



MPs want to punish Times for disclosure

By Anthony Bevin, Political Correspondent

The House of Commons is to be asked to punish The Times and Mr Richard Evans, its lobby reporter, for committing a serious contempt of Parliament in leaking a draft select committee report on radioactive waste disposal last December.

The Committee of Privileges, which is chaired by Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, yesterday found "that a serious contempt was committed by whoever enabled The Times to obtain a copy of the draft report of the chairman of the environment committee, by the journalist who wrote the article and by the editor of The Times who published it."

With Mr Tony Benn opposing the report, six Conservative and five Labour MPs recommended that Mr Evans should be barred from the precincts of the Commons for six months and that The Times should lose one of its accredited parliamentary lobby passes for the same period.

The Prime Minister yesterday refused to be drawn on the matter, saying during Commons questions that it was a House of Commons matter and for the House to decide.

The report, which is expected to be considered by the House before the Whitsun recess on May 23, said that it had not been possible to assess precisely the extent of the damage actually done by the leak of the committee's draft.

But the privileges committee said that it had been convinced by the evidence of Sir Hugh Rossi, Conservative chairman of the environment committee, "that damage was done on this occasion."

The report said: "This damage amounted to substantial interference with the work of this particular committee. Every leak of this kind is also a further threat to the effective operation of other committees."

It said that Mr Evans had "shown scant respect for the traditions and rules of the House in this matter." "He has openly drawn attention to the leaks he has published and he has committed breaches of privilege in this way on a number of occasions."

It also said that Mr Charles Wilson, the editor of The Times, "must bear a major share of responsibility for this serious contempt of the House. The practice of publishing leaks from select committees has clearly been the policy of his newspaper, and the newspaper itself should not be allowed to continue its work in the Palace of Westminster without suffering some restriction as a result of this policy."

Mr John Cartwright, SDP MP for Woolwich, said during Prime Minister's questions that it was ironic that select committees, designed to throw light on the workings of Whitehall, should be in danger of establishing the same rules of secrecy around their affairs that they would condemn if they occurred in Whitehall.

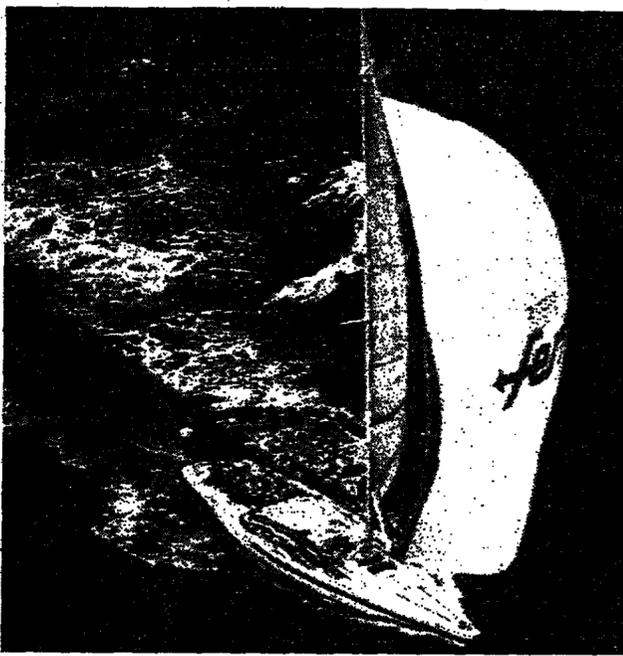
The last time the privileges committee recommended six months' exclusion from the Commons as a punishment for journalists publishing the leaked contents of select committees was in 1975, after The Economist disclosed details of a draft report on wealth tax. The Commons voted 64 to 55 in support of an amendment from Mr Paul Channon, now Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, that although the leak was to be regretted no further action should be taken.

Mr Benn made it clear in the Commons yesterday that the issue of disclosure of information on radioactive waste far outweighed any consideration of News International and the current dispute at Wapping.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, Labour MP for Workington, said that without condoning the actions of News International the public would condemn the House if it took the irresponsible action of expelling Mr Evans.

Mr Chris Moncrieff, chairman of the Lobby Journalists and chief political correspondent of the Press Association news agency, said yesterday: "Journalists will never refuse confidential documents of public interest, passed to them either from government sources, MPs or anyone else."

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Swiss beat the Drum

Race leader UBS Switzerland heads into the English Channel yesterday on her way to victory in the round-the-world yacht race.

The British boat owned by pop singer Simon Le Bon. Drum was yesterday holding on to second place ahead of a group of four yachts which are all likely to finish late on Saturday. UBS Switzerland looks certain to clip 2 1/2 days off the previous record of 120 days for the circumnavigation.

How bomb victims were found

A fireman's story of how he found Mr Norman Tebbit and his wife under rubble after the bombing of the Grand Hotel, Brighton, two years ago was told to a jury at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

On the third day of the trial of the Belfast man who has pleaded not guilty to the bombing the court heard a series of statements and evidence from police, the fireman and wives and husbands whose partners were killed as a result of the blast on the last night of the Conservative Party's annual conference.

The court was told how the fireman discovered Mr Tebbit and his wife after he saw two hands sticking out of the rubble in the hotel. They were later rescued.

The statements included details of what happened to Mr John Wakeham, the government Chief Whip, and the wife of Sir Anthony Berry, a Conservative MP killed by the blast.

The court heard how people were woken by the blast early on the morning of 12 October. Mr Wakeham fell from his bedroom, room 428, to the foyer of the hotel.

Lady Berry, in room 328, heard a bang. In her statement she said she felt she was falling and everything was falling with her. She said: "The noise was terrible. I thought I was dying or going to die."

Tebbit's ordeal, page 3

Hailsham move to cut legal aid cost

The Lord Chancellor's officials have put forward a radical package of cost-cutting proposals for legal aid work which would fundamentally change lawyers' working practices and bring about large savings in the legal aid bill.

The proposals have been tabled during current negotiations between the Lord Chancellor's Department and the profession on legal aid fees, now under way within a timetable agreed in the wake of the Bar's successful High Court action against Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone.

They go far wider than was indicated in talks in the autumn before the legal proceedings were launched after Lord Hailsham's offer of a routine 5 per cent uprating for inflation.

The Government is concerned that present working practices do not provide the best value for money for the taxpayer from the £320 million a year legal aid scheme; it says legal aid firms are ill organised to do the work and that courts' administration, particularly listing of cases, could be improved.

A key proposal is that both solicitors and barristers be paid on a new system of "fixed" or "standard" fees for certain categories of cases. For solicitors that would mean that instead of the present hourly basis, legal aid work would be paid on a fixed rate. So a "guilty plea" hearing in the magistrates' court, for example, would be paid a set sum, and not according to the hours spent.

For barristers, it would mean abolishing the traditional "fee with brief" in large numbers of cases. There would be "sessional" or block fees for a morning or afternoon's work in the magistrates' court, and fixed or standard fees for a number of cases in the Crown court.

All present lawyers are paid after the case, and through a

New risk facing stricken reactor

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

After 13 days, the Soviet authorities have still failed to neutralise the stricken Chernobyl nuclear reactor, and are taking steps to avert a meltdown, which would pose a far greater risk of radioactive contamination than has already occurred.

Western envoys were first alerted that there was concern about such a possibility when a West German scientist in Washington was approached by a Soviet representative asking for advice on preventing "a hot, molten mass" melting through the concrete foundations of a reactor building.

The scientist, Thomas Roser, of the German Atomic Forum, did not elaborate, but his account followed the disclosure in yesterday's Pravda that members of the emergency team were working under as well as next to the damaged reactor.

Later, a Western diplomat with access to satellite photographs said: "They have a hell of a problem still."

Pravda reported that the accident was far from being nearly over, as some Westerners had expected, and thousands of volunteers were struggling to control the crippled reactor. Helicopters were dropping sand, lead, clay and other materials on it to smother the leaking radioactivity.

Because the Kremlin has withheld information, Western scientific officers in Moscow were unable to say with confidence how great the dangers of a melt-down were.

One said that if it happened, the reactor would soon hit the high Ukrainian water-table, causing an effect "like a nuclear boiler".

A Western diplomat said it had been learnt that it was nearly a week before 30,000 residents were evacuated from the town of Chernobyl.

As the Soviet press widened its coverage yesterday, it emerged that the plant was under-staffed on the night of the fatal accident because of the approach of May Day. Sovetskaya Rossiya said: "Many people, including staff at the power plant, had gone on holiday."

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Chinese puzzle over an hour

From a Correspondent, Peking

A Chinese maid who works for an American family in Peking arrived for work an hour late on Sunday, the first day when clocks had been officially put forward by an hour.

Asked if she had forgotten about the time change or had overslept, she said she was fully aware of the time change and had not overslept. But she had thought that the change applied only to Chinese and not to foreigners, whom (she had assumed) remained on the old time.

It is a typical example of the state-sponsored pandemonium that has broken out with the introduction of daylight saving to China.

The idea, according to a Communist Party circular, was to save energy, specifically 1.5 billion kilowatt hours of electricity annually.

Chinese clocks are scheduled to be turned back one hour at 2 am on September 14. Moreover, the new system was supposed to foster among workers "the good habit of getting up early and going to bed early, thus enhancing their efficiency."

But given the national reaction this week and China's sheer size (it sprawls across five time zones but has traditionally operated on Peking time), the authorities may just as well have decreed mass confusion seasoned with a dash of hysteria.

Long-distance buses, some river boat lines and the country's railroads, for example, continued to run on the old time while China's national airline announced that all its flights (as well as those of foreign carriers operating in China) would be postponed one hour.

Travellers thus faced the prospect of missing connecting flights and trains.

Many Chinese feared that the time change would affect their health.

In modern China convention has it that breakfast at 6 am, lunch at 12 noon and dinner at 6 pm keeps one fit.

Concerned citizens wondered if the new time would unduly shorten or lengthen the intervals between meals.

Tomorrow

Message of the polls

David Butler analyses the results of yesterday's by-elections in West Derbyshire and Ryedale and the local elections

Portfolio Gold

There was no winner again yesterday in The Times Portfolio Gold daily competition, so today there is £12,000 to be won. Tomorrow the weekly prize is £16,000, double the usual amount because no one won last week. Portfolio list, page 33; rules and how to play, information service, page 20.

Watt verdict

A pathologist told an inquest into the death of Steve Watt, the Scottish boxer, that he was "flabbergasted" by the damaged state of his brain. A verdict of misadventure was recorded. Page 3

Quake fears

Thousands fled their homes on America's west coast in fear of tidal waves after an earthquake in the remote Aleutian Islands, off Alaska. Page 7

Spring recess

The Commons will adjourn for the spring recess on Friday, May 23 and return on Tuesday, June 3.

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Princess 'okay' on arrival in Tokyo

From David Watts, Kyoto

The Princess of Wales walked off the jet which brought her to Japan last night and told a beaming Crown Prince Hiro that she was feeling "okay".

Both the Prince and Princess slept well on the flight from Vancouver and there is no need to change the royal itinerary after the fainting spell which the Princess suffered at Expo 86, according to the palace spokesman.

Despite her prostration of good health, the Princess looked slightly wan and subdued as she came down the stairs of the airliner into the full glare of television lights and the flashes of some 200 cameras at Osaka airport.

She smiled only faintly during the brief reception ceremony, but the palace spokesman insisted: "She's a very healthy lady."

He denied press reports that she had suffered fainting attacks before, including one during a royal ski trip.

The Royal couple, who left the airport rather behind schedule, had no event scheduled for their first evening after the late arrival from Canada. Because of the late arrival the crowd outside the airport was relatively small. But more than 10,000 people gathered outside the Oniya Palace to welcome them to their temporary home.

Today they start their tour with a full schedule: in the ancient capital, beginning with a visit to the detached royal palace at Shugaku-in, which has had an extraordinarily chequered career since it was completed in the 1650s.

Security for the visit is unobtrusive. Some 7,000 police are on duty in connection with the visit which, by the standards of the recent Tokyo summit, is not heavy policing.

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Anxious Tories at the polls

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

The Government was last night anxiously awaiting the outcome of the biggest test of opinion before the next General Election.

More than two-thirds of Britain's electors had the opportunity to vote in district council elections in England and Wales, and the 12 Scottish boroughs, and the 12 Scottish Region and Island Councils.

But Conservatives were most nervous at the two parliamentary by-elections in Ryedale and West Derbyshire. A Gallup opinion poll showed the Alliance clearly in the lead at Ryedale.

But an extremely close result appeared likely at West Derbyshire, where the Government is defending a 15.325 majority. Early indications in the constituency suggested a 70 per cent turn-out, and the Alliance was pinning hopes on tactical voting by Labour supporters.

But yesterday, Labour workers were claiming that Mr Bill Moore, their candidate, was receiving firm support at polling stations in Belper, Ashbourne, and Wirksworth.

One of the most crucial local election results was awaited in Liverpool, where voters had the opportunity of ending the control of the Militant-dominated Labour party.

Seventeen of the 34 city council wards returning councillors were held by Labour, with most observers predicting that they would lose sufficient seats to surrender their overall majority.

The Alliance could then find itself with the chance of taking power with Conservative support.

Altogether in the local elections, 15,700 candidates contested 5,180 seats on 209 councils.

City invests £1.5m to earn Games golds

Britain's preparations for the Olympic Games were given a boost yesterday when it was announced that Minter-Holdings, a City insurance group, will contribute £1.5 million to assist up-and-coming competitors with training expenses.

Thirty six top sportsmen already in receipt of adequate financing are excluded from the scheme. Around 500 others will receive from between £400 and £6,000.

The new sponsorship will be administered by the Sports Aid Foundation. Report, back page

Tributes flow for Shinwell the fighter

By Paul Valley

Generous tributes were paid by politicians after the announcement of the death of Lord Shinwell, the consummation Labour Party veteran who died yesterday at the age of 101.

He had contracted double pneumonia after leaving hospital six weeks ago and refused to return for treatment.

Inevitably, as Lord Shinwell had been the only survivor of the first and second Labour governments and the early years of the Labour movement, the eulogies concentrated on more recent years.

Lord Whitelaw, deputy Prime Minister, said: "For me in the last three years in the House of Lords I remember him as a great character, always amusing, always courteous. These are very remarkable characteristics of someone who had been such a fighter in politics all his life."

In the Lords yesterday thunder reverberated over the ornate, imperious chamber, which embodied so much of what the elder statesman had once so despised, for all the world as if the staunch socialist was continuing his fight.

Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos, for the Labour Party, said that he was "a pugnacious Clydesider who became a great minister of state" and an archetypal rebel who be-

came a respected parliamentarian". For the Social Democrats, Lord Diamond recalled "his doggedness in fighting for fairness for his fellow man".

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr Neil Kinnock, praised Lord Shinwell's belief that "strength and power should be used to help those who were not strong or powerful."

The former Prime Minister, Mr James Callaghan, who served as a junior minister in the post-war Labour government in which Emmanuel Shinwell was a Cabinet minister, said: "He brought a feeling of passion and belief to everything he did. He could stir his

audience. That, in the early days of the Labour movement, was important in conveying a sense of conviction that things could be done."

Mr Greville Janner, Labour MP for Leicester West and former president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, who spent much of the last two days with Lord Shinwell, said: "He was interested in life until the moment he left it. A legend has passed away."

The Queen sent a message of condolence to Lord Shinwell's son, Ernest. The funeral will be at Golders Green crematorium at 3.30pm today. Obituary, page 18 Century of change, page 20

Dhaka poll protest

By Michael Hamiya, Dhaka

The first protest meeting against the "election robbery" by the Bangladeshi government was called yesterday by Sheikh Hasina Wazed, leader of the principal opposition party, the Awami League.

Sheikh Hasina said that a public meeting would be held tomorrow in the street outside the party office in Dhaka.

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# Shorter working week may be discussed in prison staff dispute

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

A reduction in the working week of prison officers, which could imply more overtime, not less, is the agenda for their talks with the Home Office.

The amount of overtime officers work is one of the most controversial issues of the dispute. A ban on overtime, which illustrated the reliance of the system on it, was disclosed before riots and arson hit prisons.

Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, in a letter to the Prison Officers' Association, said that settling a shorter week, and this year's pay claim, depended on the threat of industrial action being lifted. If it was, he would ask the Treasury to settle the deal as soon as reasonably possible.

Prison officers expect it to be reduced from 40 hours to 39 hours, but the implications have not yet been thought through.

A meeting yesterday between POA leaders and Prison Department officials, discussed the proposals in the letter. But Mr Phil Hornsby, a POA assistant secretary, said afterwards of the reduction in hours: "That is one of the issues we are getting clarification on. We haven't reached that."

He was unwilling to discuss the implications, which are likely to create a dilemma for officers' leaders, before facing their annual conference on May 20.

The issue could be resolved in one of at least three ways, each one of which could damage one of the parties to the dispute.

The lost hour could be made up by extra overtime, which would be a negation of what the Prison Department has been arguing and would hardly be acceptable to it.

More officers could be taken on, which would add to costs and undermine the department's case for cutting them. Or the POA could admit that there was inefficiency which could be saved by a streamlining of duties; the same staff could work harder.

Overtime working by prison officers averages about 16.5 hours a week, on top of the net working week of 40 hours. Overtime makes up on average about 30 per cent of prison officers' earnings.

In the longer term, management is to put forward proposals for new pay arrangements and working practices for detailed discussions, with a view to new arrangements by April 1987.

Today the POA's national executive will have a report on yesterday's meeting, with a further one expected with Home Office officials next week, the last chance, before the annual conference, of preparing a package that can persuade members to lift the threat of industrial action. That can be done only by a further ballot.

Trade unionists are to help pay Mr Arthur Scargill's estimated £100,000 legal bill for his unsuccessful High Court damages claim, he said yesterday.

The miners' leader refused to say how many people had come forward with offers of cash or to which unions they belong.

But he told reporters after a meeting of the National Union of Mineworkers national executive in Sheffield that the NUM would not have to settle the bill.

"The amount of assistance being promised from very wide sections of the movement are considerable, and it would appear there will be no cost whatsoever to the NUM," Mr Scargill said.

After he lost his claim against South Yorkshire police, who he alleged falsely imprisoned him outside his home, Mr Scargill said he would be donating the salary still owed to him during eight months of the miners' strike to the costs bill.

Yesterday he was adamant the matter was not discussed at the executive meeting and he repeated that the court action had been authorized by the executive on September 16, 1982.

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# Scargill gets help with bill

# BR pension fund to show treasures

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Hitherto unknown treasures from the British Rail Pension Fund's art collection are to be exhibited at the International Ceramics Fair and Seminar at the Dorchester hotel in Park Lane from June 13 to June 16.

The fund came to the rescue of the fair organizers after an American porcelain collection, scheduled for exhibition, was withdrawn because of fears over terrorism.

In a last minute switch, 46 items from the fund's reserve collection, at present in store, are to be shown instead.

The long promised exhibition was of Chinese Ming and Qing porcelains from the collection formed by Mr and Mrs Ira M. Koger, normally on show at the Jacksonville Art Museum in Florida.

News that the Koger collection would not after all make its European debut at the fair, was announced to the organizers by telegram.

It read: "Because of the increasing threat of terrorist acts against US citizens and property the Trustees of the Ira and Nancy Koger Foundation have voted to withdraw its Chinese ceramics from the exhibit at the International Ceramics Fair."

The trustees went on to explain that "the decision was reached, not only out of concern for the people involved, but also out of respect for the irreplaceable nature of the objects themselves".

A large group of the BR Pension Fund Chinese porcelains are on loan to the Dallas Museum, but happily the reserve collection contains some superb pieces.

The exhibition will include a prancing Tang horse, an equestrian drummer of the Wei dynasty, an apparently unique Longquan celadon bell, a Yuan dynasty blue and white fish bowl and an eighteenth century rose-verte rouelle vase decorated with exotic birds in a rocky landscape.

Mr Jonathan Martin, head of BBC television sport, said: "However, the summer's greatest attraction will almost certainly be the royal wedding at Westminster Abbey on July 23. Selina Scott and Frank Bough will begin the morning's coverage on *Breakfast Time*, and David Dimbleby and Sue Lawley will coordinate live coverage of the ceremony."

On the drama side the BBC will air seven Sunday plays starting on July 13, including performances by Paul Scofield in *Only Yesterday*, Hazel O'Connor plays the leading role in a five-part serial called *Fighting Back*, about a young unemployed mother.

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# Expansion for airports urged

The Association of British Travel Agents yesterday called on the Government to consider a second runway at Gatwick airport and a fifth terminal at Heathrow.

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# Scotland buys Bernini bust for record £3m

By Our Sale Room Correspondent

The announcement that the National Gallery of Scotland has acquired Bernini's marble bust of Cardinal dal Pozzo for £3 million, more than any piece of sculpture has ever fetched on the open market, brings a year-long heritage struggle to a conclusion.

The gallery has, in fact, acquired it at a knockdown price. For insurance purposes the bust is valued at £7.5 million, the difference having been absorbed by the Treasury in lieu of capital transfer tax.

The bust comes from Castle Howard, the famous Vanbrugh house where the television series, *Brideshead*, was filmed. It belonged to the family of the late Lord Howard of Henderskelfe, former

chairman of the BBC, and its impending sale was announced a year ago as a means of satisfying the tax problem posed by his death.

The family indicated that it would prefer the bust to go to Scotland. However, the Edinburgh gallery was, at the time, caught up in its battle to raise the £8.1 million required to save Mantegna's "Adoration of the Magi" from export.

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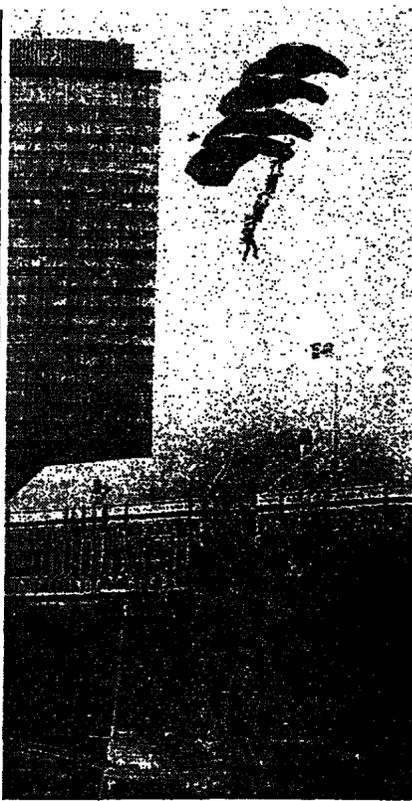
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Royal Marines freefall parachutists jumping into the Thames yesterday to raise money for the Save the Children Fund. They had intended to set a five-man stacking record, but only four linked up (Photograph: Suresh Karadia).

# £20m for sports on BBC

The BBC is embarking on its costliest and most extensive sports coverage this summer with the World Cup, Wimbledon, the British Open golf championship and the Commonwealth Games taking the main share of programming over the next four months.

The summer's highlights will also include Prince Andrew's marriage to Miss Sarah Ferguson in July and a new selection of British and American dramas and plays.

"I cannot remember a sports season like this. We will be spending up to £20 million," Mr Jonathan Martin, head of BBC television sport, said.

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# Coke loses monopoly right to bottle

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Coca-Cola, the drink company, had some of the fizz taken out of its hundredth birthday celebrations yesterday when the House of Lords ruled that it had no exclusive right to its distinctive-shaped bottle.

The non-alcoholic drink has been sold in the United Kingdom for more than 60 years, and the company claimed it was entitled to register the bottle as a trademark.

But the five law lords ruled that the company had no right to its bottle and dismissed its appeal against a ruling by the Court of Appeal, which upheld a decision of the High Court.

Giving judgment, Lord Templeman said that the bottle could not be registered under the Patents Act 1977 because it was "not a novel product". Nor could it be protected under the Copyright Act 1956 because it was not "an artistic work".

The bottle had been accepted for registration under the Patents and Designs Act, 1907, but that expired in 1940.

"A rival manufacturer must be free to sell any container or article of similar shape, provided the container, or article, is labelled or packaged in a manner which avoids confusion as to the origin of the goods, or of the article," Lord Templeman said.

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# Sogat warned on conduct after apology to court

By Michael McCarthy

The print union Sogat '82 was given a stern warning yesterday by a High Court judge about its conduct of the Wapping dispute, when it apologized for its three-month contempt of court and regained control of its sequestered assets, worth £17 million.

Miss Brenda Dean, the union's general secretary, appeared, with members of the executive, before Mr Justice Hirst and gave assurances that they had withdrawn their instructions to wholesalers not to handle newspapers produced at Mr Rupert Murdoch's east London plant.

The union was found in contempt for breach of a court order outlawing the instruction made in January, and besides suffering sequestration of its property, had been fined £25,000. The judge ordered the sequestration to be lifted immediately. But he gave the union a warning about its future conduct in the dispute.

In a direct reference to recent violence outside the plant, he drew the union's attention to part of the original court order, made by Mr Justice Gathouse on January 27, that enjoined it from "intimidating" employees of News International.

He sought a specific assurance that would be complied with. Mr Eldred Tabachnik, QC, for the union, gave the

assurance, after conferring with Miss Dean: "I cannot stress too strongly the significance of this undertaking. Breach of it would constitute a further contempt."

It went "far beyond mere instructions to employees in wholesalers no longer to black the plaintiff's newspapers."

After the case, Miss Dean said: "Of course, we are pleased to have back in our control our union."

"But I still feel very bitter about the way the laws of this country are structured against trade unions and ordinary working men and women."

Earlier, Miss Dean had accompanied Mr Peter Shore and Mr Ron Leighton, the Labour MPs, to see Mr Giles Shaw, Minister of State at the Home Office, about the dispute at Wapping.

"We told him we want to get the demonstrations right. For 13 weeks they have been completely peaceful," she said.

Mr Shaw described the hour-long meeting, which was also attended by officials of Sogat '82, the National Graphical Association and the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, as "constructive".

He said that he had not agreed to set up an independent inquiry into the events at Wapping, but he undertook to pass on the delegation's concern to the Home Secretary.

# British nuclear record gives confidence, Thatcher says

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

The Prime Minister said yesterday that the excellent record of the nuclear industry in Britain would itself restore public confidence in the wake of the Chernobyl disaster.

Answering Commons questions after a lengthy Cabinet discussion on the ramifications of Chernobyl, Mrs Thatcher agreed that there should be no panic decisions and told MPs:

"The record of the nuclear industry in this country has been excellent because in civil installations there have been no fatalities in this country."

"Provided we go on, as we shall, in safety in design, manufacture, mode of operation, and maintenance I believe that record will continue and give the public confidence once again."

Mrs Thatcher also said that she sympathized with a point made by Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, that information on radioactivity should be put in a form which ordinary people could understand.

# Protests mark Irish link talks

By Richard Ford

"Loyalist" protests in Northern Ireland will mark the fifth meeting of the Joint Anglo-Irish Ministerial conference in London today, when security cooperation and the administration of justice will top the agenda.

The choice of venue is part of efforts by the British and Irish governments to operate the consequence of the Anglo-Irish agreement "sensitively", avoiding the passions aroused in the Ulster community when it is held at Stormont.

With the Government and two Ulsterist parties involved in delicate negotiations aimed at settling up "talks about talks", Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, is anxious to do nothing that will end the attempt to break the political deadlock.

Although it was envisaged that the conference, jointly chaired by Mr King and Mr Peter Barry, the republic's Minister for Foreign Affairs, would meet frequently, there have been gaps of eight and a half weeks between the last two meetings, and little has emerged to change things visibly in the north.

At today's meeting there will be reports on the work of two sub-committees of Civil Servants investigating the administration of justice in the north, and the harmonization of anti-violence legislation in both parts of the island. There will be reports also on cross-border security cooperation and relations between the Royal Ulster Constabulary and the community.

# Call to end religious oath in courts

By our Legal Affairs Correspondent

The religious oath in criminal proceedings should be abolished and replaced with an undertaking to tell the truth, the all-party law reform group, Justice, recommended yesterday.

Its report, *Witnesses in the Criminal Courts*, says that a simple, non-religious undertaking to speak the truth would be "more meaningful, more generally acceptable and more likely to serve the cause of justice."

This would "provide the necessary reminder of the solemnity of the occasion, and of the importance of the information."

The report, which says that witnesses in trials are not accorded the treatment and status they deserve, also recommends that a court should be able to call witnesses on the basis of an application by one party, or on its own volition.

Witnesses should also be encouraged by the court to volunteer information during questioning, or at the end of it, on points covered. When complaints about trials are investigated by Justice, it "not infrequently appears that important information was known to a witness, but was not brought out."

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There seems to be a growing tendency on the part of politicians to want to keep as a cosy little secret among themselves information they acquire at the taxpayers' expense, until they see fit to release it.

"What this case makes clear is that the rules of privilege involving select committees, which date back 150 years, are now hopelessly out of date and are in need of radical revision."

Yesterday's report said that the editor of *The Times* and Mr Evans had argued that publication of the leak had been in the public interest; that the rules of privilege were out of date; and that no disrepute had been intended to Parliament.

As for the source of the leak, the committee said: "If the person responsible for this case is ever identified, he should be severely punished."

Mr James Wallace, Liberal deputy whip, said: "Richard Evans is a much-respected investigative journalist. It will be outrageous if the penalty proposed by the Privileges Committee is carried out, particularly in the light of the last ten days when the establishment has been patting itself on the back because of its supposed openness in dealing with nuclear matters."

Mr Evans said: "I am very surprised by the recommendations, although in the back of my mind I knew there was a possibility they would want to make an example of me."

# MPs want to punish The Times

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# The Committee of Privileges No leaks punishment in 154 years

By Colin Hughes, Whitehall Correspondent

If the House of Commons confirms its Committee of Privileges recommendation to ban a lobby reporter on *The Times* for publishing a leaked draft select committee report, it will be the first time punishment has been carried out for 154 years.

In the most recent "leak" case, Mr Mark Schreiber, a reporter for *The Economist*, was to be banned for six months, but MPs overturned the Committee of Privileges recommendation by 64 votes to 55. Not only did a majority of MPs present not want to pursue the issue to punishment; only one in five turned up for the debate at all.

The last case of punishment was in 1832, when Thomas Sheehan, proprietor of the *Dublin Evening Mail*, was committed into the custody of the Sergeant of the House, and later discharged after being admonished by the Speaker.

He had published the contents of a select committee draft report on tithes in Ireland, which had not been agreed by the committee or seen by the House as a whole. Having committed a "high breach of privilege", he suffered the worst penalty, imprisonment, which is still open to MPs to use.

The "ancient and undoubted privileges" of the House of Commons, as they are called when the Speaker claims them from the Crown at the opening of every parliament, were first granted in Tudor times as a protection from the King,

though later used to protect MPs from constituents.

Those claimed specifically by the Speaker ensure absolute privilege on freedom of speech in debate, freedom from arrest, and access to the Crown. But other privileges are born of specific resolutions by the House.

The Commons, for example, has right to "exclusive cognizance of matters arising within its precincts", and the right to punish for contempt. Punishments range from admonishment or reprimand, to the power to exclude (even MPs, whose seats can be declared vacant), to imprisonment.

Cases going back to 1580 show the publication of proceedings has always been regarded as possible contempt. Until the late eighteenth century publication of any parliamentary debate was likely to lead to imprisonment.

But leaks from select committees were not specifically incorporated until a resolution of the House in 1837, when the *True Sun* newspaper published evidence to the Poor Law Act select committee before it was reported to the House.

Although no action was taken (because the *True Sun* apologized), it was agreed then that "according to the undoubted privileges of this House", evidence and documents of select committees which have not been reported to the House "ought not to be published by any member of such committee, or by any other person". The only sub-

stantial amendment to the rule was in 1980, allowing public hearings to be reported.

Mr Michael Ryle, Clerk of the House, included in a note of June 1985 to the Committee of Privileges (always chaired by the Leader of the House and formed of 12 members on proportions of party strength in each parliament), that the rule is "mandatory for all practical purposes". The Privileges Committee recommended action against serious cases of contempt, where the leak interfered with committee proceedings.

Expulsion from the House is a standard form of punishment, but has only recently been applied to MPs. Mr Garry Allighan MP was expelled in 1947 for contempt, after he alleged that MPs took drink and bribes from journalists in return for leaking reports of party meetings.

The House found that the only two members responsible were Mr Allighan and another MP. Two journalists of the *Evening News* were called to the Bar of the House for refusing to answer questions, but the details came out before their appearance, they answered the questions, and no action was taken.

In most other cases an apology at the Bar has won leniency. No action was taken against the then Mr John Junor in 1957 when he apologized for writing an article which attacked MPs for voting extra petrol rations to party organizations, although the

Privileges Committee had recommended a reprimand.

The only case of an MP being punished after admitting having leaked a document was Mr Tom Doherty, in 1967. He passed evidence to the Science and Technology Committee on Porton Down, the defence research establishment, to *The Observer*, and was reprimanded by the House, but Lord Astor, the proprietor, apologized and was let off. Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, Labour MP for Wokingham, has twice admitted leaking evidence to the Public Accounts Committee, but no action was taken.

*The Times* has long held a leading place in the history of contempt cases affecting select committees. In 1899 the Select Committee on the Cottage Homes Bill, after publication of its chairman's draft report, said that "the premature and unauthorized publication of confidential and privileged documents has become part of a regular system of *The Times* newspaper".

Only two years later, in 1901, the Civil List Select Committee found that *The Times* had published some of its papers marked confidential, and recommended that the Speaker either exclude its journalists from the lobby or take any action which might prevent future leaks. No action was taken by the House, and there is no record of the Speaker following up the House's recommendation.

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# Fireman tells bombing trial of finding Tebbit and wife in rubble

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

A fireman searching the Grand Hotel in Brighton after the bombing attack came across a male hand and a female hand sticking out of the debris, a jury at Central Criminal Court was told yesterday. One hand belonged to Mr Norman Tebbit, then a senior minister, and the other to his wife Margaret.

Details of the fireman's discovery was given on the third day of the trial of Patrick Joseph Magee, aged 34, from Belfast, who has pleaded not guilty to seven charges involving the 1984 bombing, including five counts of murder. He and four others have pleaded not guilty to a charge of conspiracy to cause explosions in 1985.

Yesterday the jury heard a statement from Mr John Hall, a Sussex fireman, called to the hotel after the blast on October 12, 1984, on the last night of the Conservative Party conference.

Mr Hall and other firemen came to the rubble at the front of the inside of the hotel. He heard a female voice above the din of an alarm bell. Mr Hall tried to look over the rubble and said: "I looked and saw two hands. I took hold of the female hand and it was Mrs Tebbit. The fireman said he asked her if she could feel him in case the hand belonged to a third person, but Mrs

Tebbit did not respond. Mr Hall said he took hold of the male hand and asked Mr Tebbit if it was him. Mr Tebbit said it was.

Mr Hall said: "I told him I would get some help but he carried on gripping and asked me not to go." The fireman stayed with Mr Tebbit, then Secretary of State for Employment and now chairman of the Conservative Party, for a time.

In his statement the fireman said he also spoke to Lady Berry, who was injured with pains in her back and asking where her husband was. Sir Anthony, Conservative MP for Enfield Southgate, was later found dead near by.

In her statement to the court Lady Berry said that when she and her husband had originally checked in to room 328 in the hotel, she had chosen the bed nearest the bathroom but later that day changed her mind and had taken the other bed. On the night of the blast her last sight of her husband at shortly after 2.30 am was seeing him standing by putting on his pyjamas.

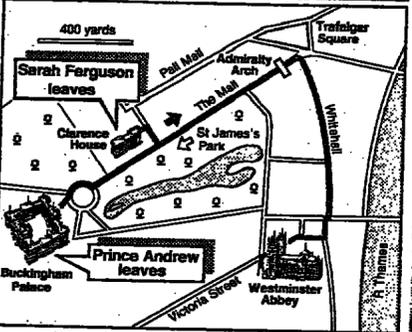
Mr John Wakeham, Government Chief Whip, described in his statement to the court what happened to him when the blast occurred. His wife, Roberta, was killed. Mr Wakeham went to sleep and then "the next thing I can

remember is being woken by a loud bang and a blinding flash of light. I formed the impression I was still in my room but in actual fact I was in the foyer of the hotel".

Mr Wakeham said he thought he heard his wife's voice asking what they should do and he told her that they had to wait.

Mrs Jennifer Taylor lost her husband Eric in the blast. He was chairman of the North-west Area Conservative Association. In her statement Mrs Taylor said the couple went to bed about 2 am. When the blast happened she felt herself lifted upwards and then had the sensation of falling.

She said: "When I finished falling I opened my eyes, believing I had been dreaming. She found herself on the ground and called out for her husband, she made contact with Mr Gordon Shattock, whose wife died in the blast. He told her to stay still and then the two met up, holding hands and looking for a way out.



The Glass Coach (top), which may give the public the first glimpse of the bride. The route to and from Westminster Abbey (above), and (right) Prince Andrew and Miss Sarah Ferguson.

# Law urged to spare children from court

By Tim Jones

A Scotland Yard officer said yesterday that the Government may have to change the law to spare children who have been sexually abused from the trauma of a trial.

Det Supt Peter Gwynn said the law should allow video taped evidence given by children to be accepted without them having to be present. Such videos can be shown now only with the consent of the defence.

He told a conference of international experts in Cardiff: "This is our next challenge. We have not been put off so far. If we show ourselves to have a sound basis we may ask the Government to change the law."

Mr Gwynn, who is chairman of a new joint police and social services team dealing with child sex cases in Bexley, south London, said that since an experiment had begun in March officers had taken 14 video tapes of children making allegations of sexual abuse. Videos, he said, could also be used to spare a child from seemingly endless interviews.

The attitude of some professionals, would also have to change. "Adults are usually believed above children. There is a popular mythology that children fabricate. We have got to believe the child until proven otherwise."

Dr Neil Frude, of the department of psychology, University College Cardiff, told delegates to the conference, organized by the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, that sexual abuse had been found to be far more common than had ever been seriously suggested.

"No fewer than 10 per cent of girls experience sexual abuse in childhood. The figures for boys are less, but still at least 5 per cent are sexually abused."

# Boxer required ringside surgery

By Tim Jones

A ringside operation was the only thing that could have saved Steve Watt, aged 29, the Scottish welterweight champion, when he collapsed after a fight, an inquest was told yesterday.

But such an operation would have been impossible, Mr Peter Richards, a neurosurgeon, said.

Watt, of Iveagh Close, Northwood, north-west London, died from brain haemorrhage due to rapid rise in pressure, after the referee had stopped his fight against Rocky Kelly in the tenth round at the West Hotel, Fulham, west London, on March 14.

Dr Helen Grant, a pathologist, told the inquest that Watt's brain had been damaged because of previous bouts. She said that there were gaps in the brain and also holes where nerve cells should have been.

"I was flabbergasted by the damage." Recording a misadventure verdict, Dr John Burton, the Hammersmith coroner, welcomed new regulations which will see professional fighters have regular brain scans. He said that an ambulance should always be available at boxing contests and there should be direct transfer to a hospital with neurosurgical facilities.

Mr Richards suggested that boxers should also be given a psychological test at annual periods.

The referee, Mr Sidney Nathan, said that he had stopped the fight because Watt had begun to wilt. He was in a position where he could not defend himself.

Mr Nathan, who has been a referee for 28 years, added that Watt returned to his corner after he told him: "I am all right." He then collapsed and doctors were immediately at the ringside.

# Family affair at the Abbey

By Alan Hamilton

The wedding of Prince Andrew and Miss Sarah Ferguson on July 23 will be more of a family affair than that of the Prince and Princess of Wales five years ago.

Although the Government has not made the day a public holiday, many thousands are expected to line the processional route to and from the Abbey, in spite of the reported decline in holiday bookings from American tourists afraid of terrorist acts.

Because Prince Andrew is only the Queen's second son, there will be fewer diplomatic

and official representatives among more than 2,000 guests at the Abbey, but otherwise the occasion will be accorded the full ceremonial panoply.

Prince Andrew and his supporter, Prince Edward, will leave Buckingham Palace by carriage and travel by the Mall, Admiralty Arch, Trafalgar Square and Whitehall to the West Door of the Abbey. The route through the Arch is at his own request as an acknowledgement to the Navy in which he is a serving officer.

The Prince's carriage will be accompanied by a Captain's Escort of the Life Guards.

Like the Princess of Wales on her wedding day, Miss Ferguson will leave from the Queen Mother's home at Clarence House, and will follow a similar route to the Abbey under Admiralty Arch.

It is expected that, depending on the weather, the bride will ride in either the Glass Coach or an open landau. The Palace said yesterday that the bride's bouquet is to be made by the Worshipful Company of Gardeners and floral decoration in the Abbey is to be handled by the National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies.

# Rail union judgement criticized

By Frances Gibb

Legal Affairs Correspondent

The court ruling that railway unions can be sued by ticket holders for losses and inconvenience caused by industrial action called without a secret ballot, provoked a sceptical reaction from labour lawyers yesterday.

The common view was that Wednesday's ruling by Judge Henham at Sheffield County Court would be overturned by the Court of Appeal.

Mr Robert Simpson, lecturer in labour law at the London School of Economics, said that in his view the ruling was wrong, and contrary to a 1982 House of Lords decision in the case of Lonrho v Shell.

He said: "There is no such principle in English law that someone who suffers wrong as a result of an unlawful act has a cause of action. He must prove an existing tort."

The only conceivable tort in such a case would involve interference with business by unlawful means.

But one of the ingredients of that tort was that the defendants, in this case the railway unions, had intended to cause damage specifically to the plaintiff, the rail traveller.

That was obviously not the case, Mr Simpson said.

The two rail unions involved have said that they intend to appeal against the judgement, in which Judge Henham ordered that they pay £153 damages to a Sheffield businessman, Mr Angus Falconer, who was stranded in London during a one-day rail strike last year.

# Student to sue over train fall

By Frances Gibb

Mr Paul Dungey, aged 23, a student, of Deep Dale Lane, Nettleham, Lincoln, is to sue British Rail for negligence and damages after being cleared yesterday by Abergele magistrates, North Wales, of a charge, brought by the railway board, of leaving a carriage while the train was moving.

He was seriously injured after falling from a train at Colwyn Bay station, and had pleaded not guilty to the charge.

# Bomb victims flown home

By Frances Gibb

Two British holidaymakers injured in a bomb explosion which destroyed a Sri Lankan aircraft at Colombo have been flown to London.

Miss Rosemary Ann Simmons, aged 24, and her friend, Mr Simon Carter, aged 29, both of London, were in a stable condition in Queen Mary's Hospital yesterday.

# Guideline 'threat' to mental study

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Research into mental disorders, including schizophrenia, would be seriously hampered if new guidelines proposed by the Mental Health Act Commission were implemented, a leading professor of psychiatry said yesterday.

Developments in brain sciences meant that some real understanding of the causes of disorders such as schizophrenia and Alzheimer's disease "may at last be within our grasp".

Professor Robert Kendell, Professor of Psychiatry at Edinburgh University, said.

But the guidelines posed "a most serious threat" to psychiatric research.

Under the commission's guidelines published last year all patients involved in research, whether in hospital or in the community and whether informal or detained patients, would have to give consent at three levels to

"non-therapeutic" research from which the patient would not directly benefit. Professor Kendell said in the *British Medical Journal*.

The patients themselves would have to give "real consent", a second opinion would be needed from another consultant agreeing that the patient had capacity to consent and the patient's relatives would have to be fully informed.

If the guidelines were accepted, Professor Kendell said, "they would have a profoundly damaging effect on most forms of psychiatric research in this country. Clinical research into dementia would virtually cease."

Simply to take a blood sample from 50 patients, a second consultant would have to interview every patient.

The guidelines would make "simple and uncontentious proposals impracticable".

# Shopping advice on computer

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

British Telecom's Yellow Pages service is about to go electronic, allowing arachnid shoppers to call up information on microcomputers connected to a telephone system.

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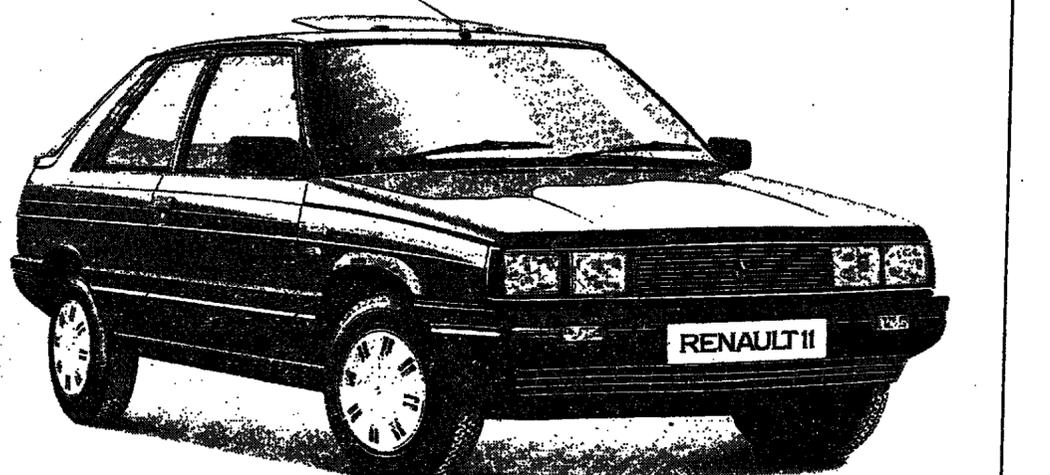
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# Loophole fear in proposed ban on food

## RADIOACTIVITY

The West German health authorities were aware of a loophole in the provisional EEC agreement for banning food imports from the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe and would be taking necessary precautions to give effect to the ban. They were aware of the loophole and he was sure they would be taking necessary precautions to give effect to the ban. They were aware of the loophole and he was sure they would be taking necessary precautions to give effect to the ban.

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## Kinnock: public must be told facts

### NUCLEAR BLAST

In the wake of the Chernobyl disaster there was widespread feeling that the coordination of information between relevant Government ministers was inadequate. Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, had described the statement on terrorism as permissive and vague.

Mrs Thatcher: I read what the Secretary of State for the Environment (Mr Kenneth Baker) said yesterday. I think it was an excellent statement. It was very well received. After the arrival of the radioactive cloud over the United Kingdom last Friday, the Minister for Agriculture set up an incident room to provide expert advice on foodstuffs.

Germany from other Comecon countries, it would be the duty of the West German authorities to make sure the origin was checked. Mr Robert Jackson (Wantage, C) suggested that the West German Government would never have agreed to the provisional ban if they had thought they could not check the origin of foodstuffs.

Mr Eggar said the provisional ban included fresh meat and offal from Eastern European countries. The Government would be keeping the ban under constant review as new scientific evidence came in over the origin of goods that come in. Mr Eggar said the provisional ban included fresh meat and offal from Eastern European countries. The Government would be keeping the ban under constant review as new scientific evidence came in over the origin of goods that come in.

# All committed to fighting terrorism

## TOKYO SUMMIT

The success of the seven-nation economic summit in Tokyo had been almost universally recognised. Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, told the Commons when she returned to criticism of the summit by Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition. He had described the statement on terrorism as permissive and vague.

Mrs Thatcher: In a long summary of the achievements of the three day meeting, said: The hallmarks of this summit were unity and confidence; unity in our determination to see that those who practice state terrorism do not succeed; confidence that our economic policies are right and will bring greater prosperity to our peoples.

Mr Kinnock: Will she take action to remove the inconsistencies apparent in the information and that it is put in a form which the general public can clearly comprehend? Mrs Thatcher: That is one reason for the Department of the Environment information room. It acts as a clearing house for information, sympathetic with his request to try to put the ordinary people can understand.

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# Fair deal promised for tunnel Bill

## CHANNEL TUNNEL

The Channel Tunnel Bill would be dealt with fairly and without any attempt to see that there was a denial of legitimate debate. Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, assured Conservative MPs who, during business questions, were urging the Government against trying to telescope progress on the Channel Tunnel Bill because they would meet obstacles.

Mr Biffen: If Lord Pennecook has referred to Parliament as mulling about, the fact is that Lord Pennecook is a member of the House of Lords and I think he should show the due regard that we all expect of one another as members of the House.

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# Early debate on 'Times' reporter

## PRIVILEGE

A debate would be held before the House on the recommendation of the Commons Select Committee of Privileges that Mr Richard Evans, Lobby Correspondent of The Times, should be suspended from the lobby for six months.

Mr Biffen: I would like to underline what the Prime Minister has said, namely that it is in every sense a straightforward House of Commons occasion. Nonetheless, I think the House would like to have this matter resolved fairly and speedily. I hope the debate can be arranged before we go for the Whitsun recess.

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# Violent scenes no credit to printers

## WAPPING

The recent violence outside the News International printing plant at Wapping was quite deplorable. Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during questions that it was a matter for the House of Commons to decide.

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## ANIMAL WELFARE

The Government is giving careful consideration to the Farm Animal Welfare Council report on ritual slaughter and the many comments received on it from interested parties. Mrs Peggy Farnham, Parliamentary Secretary for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said in the Commons.

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## TOURISM

American tourists should continue to come to Britain, a marvellous and very safe country. Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during Commons questions when a Conservative MP suggested an early invitation to Mrs Nancy Reagan to the royal wedding would help reverse the worrying fall in the number of American visitors.

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# Press Council rulings

## Daily Telegraph guilty of race bias

The Daily Telegraph was criticised by the Press Council today for introducing descriptions of race into a number of court reports. Mr R. Borzello, of Camden Passage, north London, complained that the newspaper reported the colour or ethnic origin of defendants and victims in six crime cases inconsistently and unfairly.

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## Chess

At the end of round seven, with two more rounds to go, the lead in the Lloyds Bank Jersey International tournament in Jersey was held by the Norwich international master, Robert Bellin, with six points.

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## Press Council

The Press Council said it was not satisfied that the words were not used. The reporter, Mr Joe Wood, said that the words complained of were not given as direct quotations, but as his summary of evidence, which he believed to be justified.

# Correction

## Press Council

A reported remark yesterday concerning a house in Victoria Street, London, being used for the export of arms should have referred to Iran, not Iraq.

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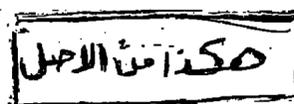
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# Relatives' consent for organs may be sought while patient is alive

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Proposals to make it a requirement for doctors to ask relatives for donor organs before life support machines are switched off are being canvassed by health ministers in an attempt to increase the number of kidney, heart and liver transplants.

The move comes after new legislation in the United States making it a legal requirement for hospitals to ask for donor organs, or to ensure there are good reasons for not making such a request, before ventilators are switched off.

Mr Ray Whitney, a junior minister at the Department of Health and Social Security, is to study the system on a visit to New York State later this month which, together with Florida and California, is one of three states so far to introduce the "required request" legislation, as it is known. Other states are planning to follow suit.

Dr Donald Acheson, the chief medical officer, has written to the British Medical Association and the royal colleges of medicine and surgery and the Joint Consultants Committee, asking for their views on a similar but voluntary system here.

The approach comes after a drop last year of 112 to 1,334

in the number of kidney transplants and a rise in the waiting list to a record level of more than 3,300.

Ministers are hoping that doctors will agree to a voluntary code of practice introducing the "required request". Mr Whitney believes that legislation "would not be appropriate. It is a very sensitive area, but I think there is a way forward without legislation if the medical profession was prepared to take it up through a code of practice."

It was not, he said, something ministers would want to rush into. "We would want to see how it was working in the United States and the reaction of the doctors."

After publicity about last year's fall in the number of kidney transplants, the rate this year is higher, with an excess of 90 performed in the months. The waiting list has fallen and UK Transplant, the NHS organ-matching service, says record numbers will be transplanted if the trend continues.

But transplant surgeons and others believe the key difficulty in getting donor organs is the reluctance of doctors and nurses to ask relatives. Opinion polls consistently show

that 70 per cent of the population are willing to have their organs used.

Mrs Celia Wight, transplant co-ordinator at Addenbrookes Hospital in Cambridge, said that the American legislation had been operating for only a few months, but there was "cautious optimism" that it would increase the number of donor organs.

"The vast majority of doctors realize that transplantation is necessary but it is difficult for them to set the ball rolling and approach grieving relatives. In the United States they can now say 'the law requires that I ask you' making it easier for them to break the ice."

Ministers are also asking authorities to run a pilot scheme where every patient on admission to hospital would be asked if he or she is willing to have organs used for transplantation. The information would go on the hospital admission form. The idea is seen as possibly controversial, at least initially.

Many of those who become potential donors, car crash victims for example, enter hospital unconscious so that it would still be relatives who would have to be approached.



Lord Murray, former TUC general secretary, with Tania Diwell at the launch of the Key Supporter scheme for heart research in London yesterday (Photograph: Ros Drinkwater).

# Heart research cash drive

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

The progress in heart research and surgery which saves the lives of young and old alike was celebrated yesterday by Lord Murray, former general secretary of the Trades Union Congress, and Tania Diwell, aged two.

They were among patients successfully treated for heart conditions who helped launch a Key Supporter fund-raising campaign by the British Heart Foundation, in which donors will be asked to sign a four-year covenant instead of making an annual donation. In this way, the foundation hopes to secure long-term finance with which to set up more research projects.

Tania, of Folkestone, Kent, was born with a rare and serious heart defect, but is now fit and active after reconstructive surgery in June 1984.

Lord Murray, who is aged 63, underwent a quadruple bypass operation about the same time as the girl, and joined in the celebration launch with other former pa-

tients, including a boy aged nine, who recovered from a hole-in-the-heart operation, and a father and two of his children who all had successful operations to treat an inherited heart condition.

Lord Tonyandy, the former Speaker of the House of Commons who is the foundation's president, said: "These men, women and children are some of the wonderful examples of what can be done now as a result of heart research."

# National policy is demanded for boarding schools

The Government should introduce a national boarding schools policy, according to Mr Eddy Double, chairman of the Boarding Schools Association.

He told its annual conference in Ambleside, Cumbria: "A national policy for boarding education is not just highly desirable and vitally important."

"Boarding education is at risk in the independent sector from the threat of direct, conscious political action and in maintained schools from the haphazard effects of budgetary pressures."

He said boarding education was "a national resource" which should not be subject to financial constraints. The Government and local authorities should work together to ensure it was maintained and improved.

Mr Double, Principal Education Officer (Schools) for Lincolnshire, proposed a national pooling arrangement with all local education authorities sharing the cost of providing boarding education and making annual payments "according to a nationally agreed formula".

He also urged the Department of Education and authorities to form a consortium which could provide an effective forum for the planning of boarding education.

Mr Double said that all children would benefit from a period of residential education.

The theme of the three-day conference is "Boarding Education and the Real World".

Mr Richard Barker, headmaster of Sevenoaks School, emphasized the importance of boarding schools encouraging children to have those "durable qualities and attitudes" such as love of hard work, that would continue to have value "in the real world". "We should enhance personal attitudes and understanding for the future," he said.

"Through giving them more first hand experience, for instance of the business world, we will encourage in them a shift from passive to active which will help them in the future."

Mr James Graham, headmaster of Sibforth School, said boarding schools were valuable for students with special learning difficulties, particularly dyslexia.

He said that they needed a supportive and sympathetic school environment and an appropriate curriculum to enable them to develop confidence and competence. They needed a school atmosphere that was not competitive but where each individual was valued for himself.

# Journalist wins libel damages

Mr John McCrick, a racing journalist, won substantial libel damages in the High Court in London yesterday after allegations in *The Star* that he was in debt to his bookmakers and that he had given television publicity to one bookmaker for payment.

His counsel, Mr Richard Walker, told the court that the allegations appeared in a "highly sensational" article in *The Star* in March 1984. "There was and is no truth whatsoever in these very serious allegations," Mr Walker said.

Frank Curran and Peter Hooley, *Star* journalists, and Express Newspapers, the paper's publishers, acknowledged the allegations were untrue and offered unqualified apologies.

# Railmen lose claim on deaths

Train drivers who suffer mental anguish after suicide victims throw themselves in front of speeding trains are not entitled to damages from the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, the Court of Appeal decided yesterday.

In a test case ruling the judges upheld the decision of the board, and the divisional court who refused in March last year to grant judicial review of the board's decision, that any psychiatric injury suffered by the drivers was not attributable to a crime of violence and could not be compensated.

Lord Justice Lawton, sitting with Lord Justice Stephen Brown and Sir John Megaw, said that their decision was of importance to about 250 engine drivers who had suffered psychiatric injuries in similar circumstances. Figures in 1981 showed that 219 people committed suicide by throwing themselves in front of trains and another 36 were seriously injured.

In the four cases before the court the drivers, Albert Wilks, of Briton Ferry, Neath, West Glamorgan; Cyril Webb, of Alsager, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire; Sidney Warner, of Worcester Park; and Harry Clack, of Horsham, both Surrey, all had the misfortune of running over and killing someone.

In three cases a verdict of suicide was recorded but in Mr Clack's case the deceased was a senile man, aged 84, who may not have known what he was doing. But all four drivers suffered psychiatric injury as a result of the deaths.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.

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# Doctor wins court review

Dr Royce Darnell, a consultant microbiologist, was yesterday granted a judicial review of the decision by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, that he should be dismissed.

Dr Darnell, dismissed after a clash with colleagues over the management of the microbiology laboratory in Derby, was granted an expedited hearing of his case against Mr Fowler by Mr Justice Hodgson in the High Court.

# Fire in hotel

More than 2,000 guests and 450 staff were moved out of the Grosvenor House hotel in London for a short time yesterday after fire broke out in a ventilation shaft. Nobody was injured.

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# Science report Instrument helps to measure wind shear

Aviation experts and meteorologists know that wind shear, varying wind speeds and directions at differing heights, have been responsible for several aircraft accidents during take-off or landing. They happen when aircraft flying at relatively slow speeds, encounter sudden wind changes or down draught, lose height and crash.

A great deal has been discovered about the connection between thunderstorms and wind shear. But scientists are also aware that the meteorological phenomenon can occur in comparatively good weather. In fact, the Heathrow Meteorological Office regularly issues wind shear alerts, unconnected with thunderstorms.

Now, a West German research group from the Aachen Institute of Air and Space Travel has completed the first stage of a project concerned with the precise in-flight measurement of wind shear, which should ultimately provide pilots with useful information about this potentially dangerous occurrence.

In the past it had proved difficult to calibrate wind speeds accurately on board an aircraft even with the advent of modern INS (inertial navigation systems) equipment. It could be done only by first establishing the air and ground speed of an aircraft and subtracting one from the other.

Even a small error in one of these large values inevitably led to an incorrect answer, which would either underesti-

mate or overestimate wind strength and direction. Yet, without that information wind shear could not be calculated. Clearly a more efficient method was needed.

What the Germans did was to equip a single-engine sports plane, a Socata Morane, with a 4 m long vertical device attached to its rear wing, so that 2 m protruded above and 2 m below its surface. That instrument, basically a hollow pipe, could identify up to 100 wind values per second from 16 pressure gauges distributed along its leading edge. That information was fed into an on-board computer and data processor, which worked out a wind shear profile.

To check the accuracy of their findings, the Germans carried out simultaneous experiments, using the Morane, a Dornier 28 research aircraft and a meteorological ground station. The results of all three separate tests coincided to a large extent.

With more sophisticated equipment on board the Morane it is hoped to study the effect of wind shear by establishing precisely what happens at each stage in the chain: weather conditions causing wind shear; aircraft reaction to wind shear; pilot's reaction to the plane's altered flying altitude and, finally, changes in that altitude after pilot reaction.

Only when all these factors had been scientifically established and analysed would it be possible to suggest counter measures which could prevent further accidents.



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# As Kiev exodus mounts, Soviet authorities issue pictures in effort to allay fears Trains packed with fleeing families

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

As the overnight express from Kiev pulled in at 9.45 am yesterday the Soviet exodus from the area of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster was unmistakable, with hundreds of women and children spilling on to the platform, some expressing relief finally to have escaped the fear of radiation in the Ukrainian capital.

Although the authorities insist that extra planes and trains provided to transport Kiev residents were related to the summer holiday rush, those arriving in Moscow had other explanations.

The hastily-packed overnight bags and worried faces were evidence of the level of concern.

"There is no question of keeping children in Kiev a moment longer, the risk is too great. Every mother that I know there wants to get her children away," explained an elderly grandmother who arrived with her daughter and two grandchildren.

"When the television started warning us about health, we decided to get away and I have no idea yet when we will be going back."

A number of the passengers spoke of the difficulties in buying tickets and confirmed reports that long queues had been building up at ticket offices in the city, which has a

population of over two million. Others being greeted by relieved relatives could be overheard arguing heatedly about levels of radioactivity.

"The worst thing about it is that no one really knows what is going on," another woman holding a baby said. "What is the point of sacrificing the health of your children and living all day worrying about what is happening in the air?"

Uniformed Soviet militia and tough-looking plainclothes security police were mingling with the large crowds at the station attempting to prevent Western correspondents from obtaining first-hand information about the growing mood of panic in the Ukrainian capital, more than 60 miles south of the stricken plant.

Apparently under orders to prevent the exodus being filmed, the security authorities arrested a crew from the American NBC television network and then ordered Felicity Barringer, a reporter for *The New York Times*, to leave the station as she was conducting "vox pop" interviews.

More than 70 per cent of the seats on the overcrowded train which I met were taken up by women and children, and a similar proportion was reported by Westerners who watched the arrival of other Kiev trains.

Kiev residents say that the exodus began to gather momentum at the beginning of the week when the local health authorities broke an earlier silence and issued televised warnings against letting children outside for more than short periods and against eating leafy vegetables.

The mood grew more anxious after a change in the direction of the wind resulted in new orders to wash down all interiors of flats with cold water and to avoid swimming in outdoor reservoirs.

Another woman arriving yesterday said there were casual rumours about the safety of the Kiev water supply and of the milk.

"The best thing seemed to be to take the simple precaution of getting the children out until the situation becomes clearer. Some people say that could take months," she explained.

In rural communities scattered in the rich agricultural hinterland around Kiev, the growing sense of panic has encouraged residents to indulge in a bizarre variety of folk remedies in an effort to counter the radiation.

One Soviet source told me that the most widely believed-in cure was the drinking of strong spirits over 40 per cent proof.



Mr V. Tarasov, engineer of the wrecked nuclear plant at Chernobyl, in the care of two doctors at the Forest Meadow sanatorium 50 miles north-west of Kiev.



A photograph released by Tass of two children from Kiev, Natasha and Nadya, playing in a pioneer camp after being evacuated from their homes.

## Baths full to brim in worried Warsaw

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

Warsaw householders have been filling their baths to the brim and pouring water into old bottles and buckets that slip on to the carpet in the corridor in the latest symptom of nuclear panic after the Chernobyl accident.

On Tuesday night and Wednesday two rumours swept the Polish capital and industrial heartland around Katowice: the first message on the telephonic grapevine was that poisonous chemicals had escaped into the Vistula River, and the second rumour quickly determined that the chemicals were radioactive.

The fallout, it was said, had reached the tap water. Yesterday the authorities took the unusual step of denying gossip. "It is true," a spokesman for the Warsaw city council said, "that the water in the Vistula hasn't been crystal-clear for some years now, but the current level of pollution is the same as for years... the water is fit for drinking. It can also be used for washing. Therefore storing water in baths, pots or buckets is pointless."

According to Polish measurements landed to the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna, radioactive contamination of water from the mains ranged from 1.5 to 14.9 becquerels per litre and between 1.7 and 19.7 becquerels per litre in surface waters.

This compares with the 10,000 becquerels per litre concentration deemed as potentially dangerous by the agency. Milk still has a relatively high contamination rate - up to 700 becquerels per litre - but is still within the safety limit of 1,000 becquerels per litre as recommended for children by the agency.

However, water and ground contamination is likely to remain for some time.

## Sweeping changes at top in Pentagon

Washington - In the hope of reducing disastrous clashes between US armed services in times of combat, the Senate has unanimously approved the most sweeping reorganization of the military hierarchy in almost 30 years (Christopher Thomas writes).

A series of blunders led up to the planned changes, including the failed hostage rescue mission in Iran in 1980, the terrorist bombing of the Marine barracks in Lebanon in 1983, and the inter-service rivalry that hampered the 1983 invasion of Grenada.

By 95 votes to nil, the Senate approved a Bill that would broaden the advisory role of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff - the highest ranking military officer - while giving field commanders more control over fighting forces in combat.

**Bekaa killings**  
Beirut (Reuters) - The corpses of Nassib al-Khatib, a Lebanese politician, and his three bodyguards were found riddled with bullets in a car in the eastern Bekaa valley.

**Toyota recall**  
Tokyo (Reuters) - Toyota Motors is recalling 218,000 Town Ace and Master Ace light commercial vehicles produced between October 1982 and July 1985 because of problems with the power steering.

**Four-day fire**  
Peking (Reuters) - Fifty-six people died fighting a four-day forest fire which threatened farms and villages in Yunnan, southwest China.

**New York job**  
Mr James Mellon, former British Ambassador in Copenhagen, leaves London today to become the new British Trade Commissioner in New York, a post that carries ambassadorial rank.

**Fraud charge**  
Hong Kong (Reuters) - Simon Yip, a Hong Kong financier extradited from San Francisco, was remanded in custody on charges of conspiring to defraud the Overseas Trust Bank of \$66 million (about £45 million).

**Airbus back**  
Kuwait (Reuters) - A Kuwait Airways Airbus, stranded in Iran since four Arabs hijacked it there 17 months ago, has at last been flown back to Kuwait. The hijackers murdered two Americans before surrendering.

## EEC imposes ban as members argue

From Richard Owen, Brussels

As EEC governments continued to disagree on the implementation of a ban on Soviet bloc food exports first proposed four days ago, the EEC Commission yesterday took action to ban fresh meat from Eastern Europe with immediate effect.

Commission officials said any further delay would be "most unfortunate" and would render EEC emergency plans to counteract Chernobyl radiation ineffective.

The Commission said it was extending until luncheon today the deadline for member states to agree on the range of products to be banned from Soviet bloc nations affected by Chernobyl fallout.

The original deadline was yesterday evening, but significant differences remain not only over the food products to be prohibited but also over the East European countries to be

## Student in the clear after tests

From Miss Walker, Lincoln

After tests at St George's Hospital, Lincoln, Miss Gwyneth Walker, a Russian language student from Lincoln who was studying in Minsk at the time of the nuclear accident at Chernobyl, has been told that she received only very slight doses of radiation.

Miss Walker, of Greetwell Road, Lincoln, who is a student at Liverpool Polytechnic, has been told by doctors that she will suffer no long-term effects.

She is hoping to go back to Russia for her studies and said her main concern now was for the Soviet people who did not have the benefit of tests or treatment for radiation.

The daughter of a Lincoln solicitor, she was sent to Moscow from Minsk with other students from Britain and was immediately flown home.

## Fist fights as fallout panic hits Greek shops

From Mario Mediano, Athens

Greece has been gripped by a panic-buying spree for the last two days, with housewives battling in supermarkets for the last can of evaporated milk, bottle of mineral water, or bag of frozen vegetables, because of radiation fears after the Soviet nuclear disaster.

Fist fights broke out and police were called to food

stores to control hysterical crowds as they raided delivery trucks to secure stocks of uncontaminated food. A run on iodine forced the Health Ministry to issue a public warning that the product was as unnecessary as it was toxic.

The authorities said pasteurized cow's milk would go on sale again today under strict supervision.

The Government said it was consulting with other EEC

states on the question of seeking damages from the Soviet Union to compensate producers. Greece has also lodged a protest with Moscow after 40 Greek students visiting the Soviet Union were forced to stick to their programme against their will and visit Kiev after the nuclear accident.

● MADRID: Spain has prohibited the import of various foodstuffs from the Soviet

Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria because of the risks of radioactive contamination (Richard Wigg writes).

They include fresh meat and vegetables, freshwater fish and milk and dairy products. At the same time Madrid officials hope Spain can step up its food exports to those West European countries taking similar measures against East Europe.

## Top judge escapes car blast

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

The President of Spain's Supreme Court and chief judicial officer, Professor Antonio Hernandez Gil, escaped unhurt yesterday when an explosion hit his official car in central Madrid.

It damaged only the boot and police said the attack's lack of precision made it unlikely to be the work of ETA, the Basque separatist organization.

Only 13 days ago, five civil guards were killed in central Madrid by a car bomb attack claimed by ETA.

Professor Hernandez Gil, aged 71, is a prominent figure apart from his present legal stature. He presided over Parliament while the democratic constitution of 1978 was being drawn up.

He was chosen by the Government to lead Spain's Judicial Council, the self-governing body of judges and magistrates which performs similar functions to those of the British Lord Chancellor.

The Supreme Court is involved in a controversy affecting one of its members accused of misconduct, and Professor Hernandez Gil will have to deal with it.

The Supreme Court judge's driver, who was also unhurt, told reporters he had stopped for traffic lights, but the car had been moving again when the blast occurred. Had it still been standing still the damage would have been much worse, he said.

Police were investigating whether the explosive had been placed in a small Renault parked near by, or if it was fired from a grenade launcher.

Later, Professor Hernandez Gil coolly told a Madrid radio station: "I am satisfied I have not created a grave public problem. Besides that, the worst has not happened to me."



Muhammad Issa Abbas behind bars in a Genoa court which yesterday reduced jail sentences for arms offences imposed on him and two other alleged Palestinian hijackers of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro. The main hijacking trial is to start next month.

## Poles need vetting for foreign TV

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

Poles who want to watch Western satellite television will have to be vetted by the police to decide whether they are a suitable audience for *Dallas* and *Dynasty*, according to new regulations coming into force this month.

Polish viewers are to be linked into a Soviet satellite television network that will also cover East Germany and Czechoslovakia, but this will be operational only in four years.

Meanwhile Poland is in reach of several Western satellite channels, including the British Sky Channel, the Swiss Teleclub and the Dutch Ezo TV, which are carried on the West European ECS satellite.

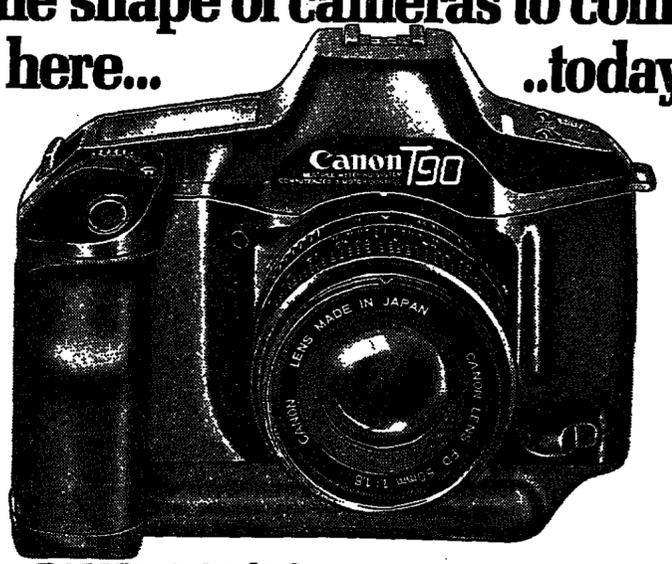
Many Poles would like to tune into these channels, but are forbidden under Polish law from owning anything but standard receivers.

But from this month the state radio inspectorate will issue special permits to a few people - Poles deemed to be appropriate viewers of the satellite fare of soap opera,

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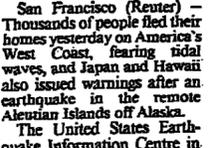
## Thousands flee homes for fear of tidal wave

San Francisco (Reuters)

Thousands of people fled their homes yesterday on America's West Coast, fearing tidal waves, and Japan and Hawaii also issued warnings after an earthquake in the remote Aleutian Islands off Alaska.

The United States Earthquake Information Centre in Golden, Colorado, said the earthquake, measuring 7.7 on the Richter scale, was one of the worst in almost 30 years. It had caused damage on Adak island, about 80 miles west of the epicentre.

The US Navy moved 2,500 of the 5,000 personnel at its air



## Nasa puts off launch of Atlas rocket

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Nasa) has postponed for four weeks the launch of the Atlas Centaur rocket, which was due to put into orbit a military communications satellite on May 22.

The postponement follows three consecutive launch failures and has grounded the main space vehicle capable of carrying large satellites.

The Atlas Centaur, an obsolescent non-reusable rocket, has a first-stage engine similar to that of the Delta rocket which inexplicably failed 71 seconds after blast-off last week.

A terse Nasa statement said the delay was necessary "to ensure that all items critical to a successful launch have been thoroughly analysed."

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## The oldest alliance, 600 years on

Britain and Portugal today mark the 600th anniversary of the Treaty of Windsor, which was signed by King Richard II and King Joao I in the chapter house of the Royal Chapel at Windsor Castle, and which for the past six centuries has bound the two countries in "perpetual and real league".

(Nicholas Ashford writes).

The two countries plan to celebrate the anniversary in a manner befitting the world's oldest surviving alliance.

A memorial service will be held at St George's chapel on Monday which will be attended by the Queen, President Soares, Dr Cavaco Silva, the Prime Minister and Senhor Pires de Miranda, the Foreign Minister.

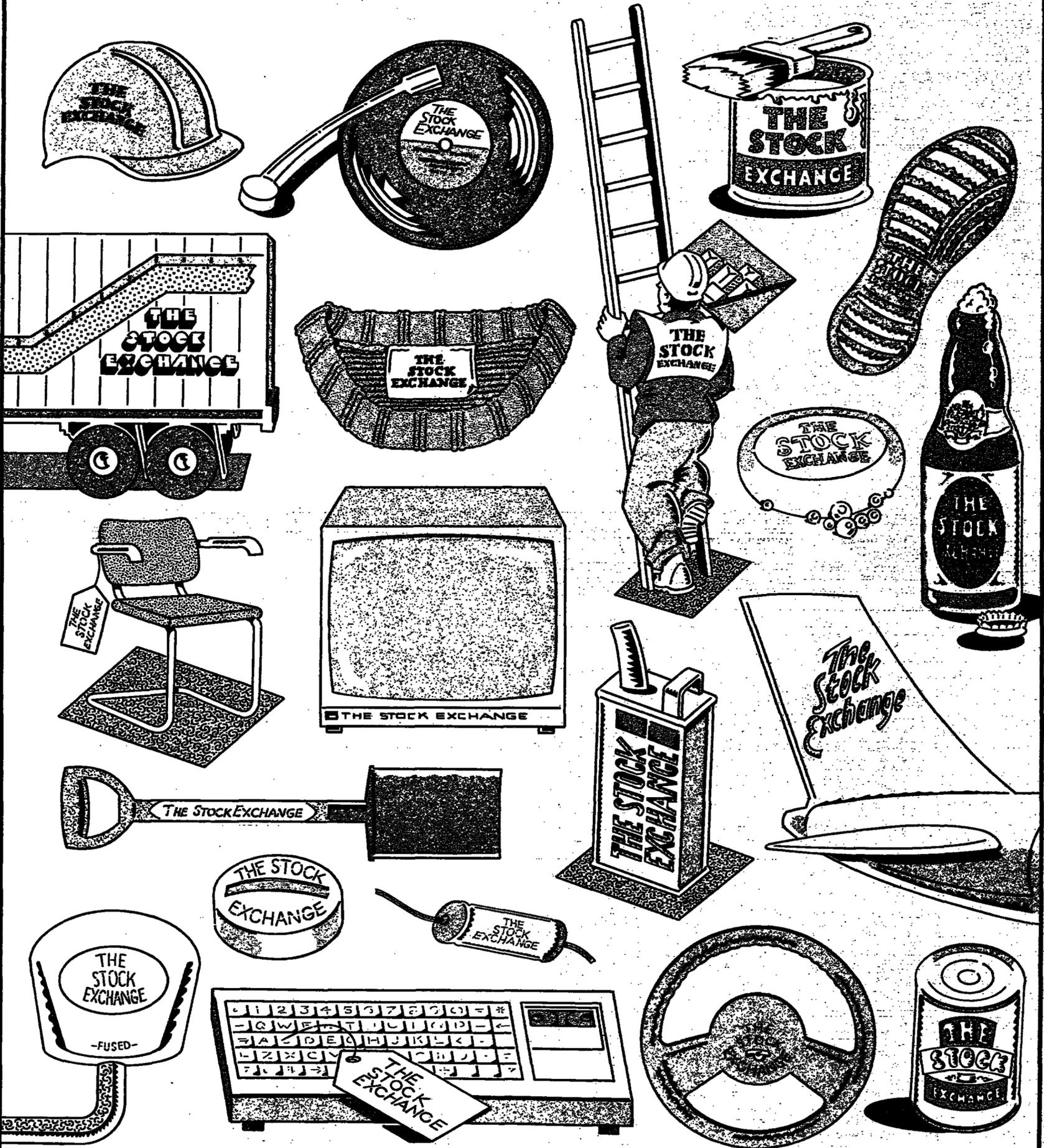
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# CIA chief enrages editors for threat on secrets reports

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

Newspaper editors and constitutional rights groups were furious yesterday about a bluntly worded threat to news organizations by the Central Intelligence Agency against reporting details of intelligence gathering operations.

Mr William Casey, director of the CIA, told two editors of *The Washington Post* that he was discussing the possibility of prosecutions against *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Newsweek*, *Time* magazine and *The Washington Post*. No American news organization has previously been sued by the Government for publishing inside stories about security matters.

Yesterday Justice Department officials said privately they were not keen to mount prosecutions. They are equally not keen to pursue Mr Casey's idea of mounting a civil suit to prevent *The Washington Post*

from publishing a new story it has prepared based on leaked classified documents.

The *Post* said it had still not decided whether to run the story. It is understood the article relates to Mr Ronald Velton, a former communications specialist at the National Security Agency, who faces trial on charges of selling secrets to the Soviet Union.

The *Post* quoted Mr Casey as telling its editors that "we've already got five absolutely cold violations", an apparent reference to a law banning disclosure of information about codes, ciphers or communications intelligence activities of the US or any foreign government.

Referring to the latest story prepared by the *Post*, Mr Casey is said to have told the editors: "I'm not threatening you, but you've got to know that if you publish this I would

recommend that you be prosecuted under the intelligence statute."

Mr Casey's threat of action against *The Washington Post* and *Newsweek* apparently related to stories about the interception of messages by US intelligence between Colonel Gaddafi and the Libyan People's Bureau in East Germany.

*Newsweek* reported that Colonel Gaddafi had made threatening statements towards President Reagan in an "intercepted telephone conversation".

Mr Morton Halpern, the senior official of the Civil Liberties Union said yesterday that the Reagan Administration was "clearly trying to establish the notion that we have an official secrets act and that they can threaten the press to keep them from publishing."

## US congressional nominations

### Setback for extreme right

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Experienced traditional politicians triumphed over newcomers and extreme right-wingers in a series of nominations this week for congressional seats and governorships.

Democrats breathed a loud sigh of relief when followers of the political maverick, Mr Lyndon LaRouche, failed to follow up his startling victories in Illinois in March, where they have effectively forced Mr Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic candidate for governor, to withdraw.

George Stultz, the Secretary of State, whom it considers a compromising pragmatist, had the active support of Senator Jesse Helms, the other right-wing Senator from North Carolina.

Mr Terry Sanford, a former liberal Democratic governor of that state who left office 21 years ago, took an early lead in the race for the Democratic nomination for the seat.

In Ohio, another former governor, Mr James Rhodes, made an extraordinary political comeback at the age of 76, defeating two rival Republicans who said he was too old for the job of governor. He lost to a Democrat in 1978, but if elected in November, he will serve an unprecedented fifth term.

In Ohio's Senate primaries, Senator John Glenn for the Democrats comfortably beat a candidate put up by Mr LaRouche.

In a third set of elections on Tuesday in Indiana, voters set the stage for a replay of the closest congressional race of 1984, giving the Democratic representative for the eighth district, Mr Frank McCloskey, the nomination over another LaRouche candidate, Mr McCloskey will face Mr Richard McIntyre. In 1984 he defeated Mr McIntyre by just four votes.

The only nominations won by LaRouche candidates were by default in congressional districts in Ohio and Texas, where no Democrat filed.

At the same time moderate Republicans were jubilant at the victory of Representative James Broyhill in North Carolina, who fought a bitter and costly battle to ward off a challenge for the Republican nomination to the Senate from Mr David Funderburk, a protégé of the militant New Right.



Mr Lyndon LaRouche winning by default

Mr Funderburk resigned last year as ambassador to Romania, and bitterly criticized the State Department for its soft line towards the communist regime.

He has been associated with the New Right's attempt to force the resignation of Mr

The voter turnout in all the primaries was extremely low. But party activists were pleased that in the circumstances, which usually favour extremists and outsiders, traditional politicians were able to hold their own.

The New Right is trying hard to consolidate its hold over the Republican Party, and has set its sights on the first big test of the presidential candidates in Michigan in September.

Vice-President George Bush will be pitted against Mr Jack Kemp, a representative from New York, and badly needs to win if he is to maintain his momentum as the Republican front-runner. He has already visited the state nine times to drum up support.

### Outrage at homeland decision

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

A decision by the South African Government to proceed with the granting of "independent" status to the KwaNdebele tribal homeland, some 60 miles north of Pretoria, has been greeted with outrage by members of the official white Opposition in Parliament.

It was "incredible" that the Government was pressing ahead in the teeth of intense domestic and international opposition to the creation of such tribal enclaves within South Africa, Mr Peter Soal, the spokesman on homeland affairs of the Progressive Federal Party, said.

The decision to make KwaNdebele South Africa's fifth "independent" tribal homeland on December 11 this year was announced in a joint statement on Wednesday by President Botha and Mr Simon Skosana, the Chief Minister of KwaNdebele.

Mr Soal pointed out that, apart from the blatant contradiction it presented with the Government's claim to be moving away from apartheid, a court verdict was still pending on the legality of the transfer last January of part of the territory of another homeland to KwaNdebele.

The 10 ethnically-defined tribal homelands are seen by most blacks, and by opinion abroad, as an integral part of the divide-and-rule apartheid system. The outside world recognizes none of the "independent" homelands.

KwaNdebele is a generally impoverished tract of land, which at the end of 1984 had an estimated population of 176,700, most of them related ethnically to the Ndebele of south-western Zimbabwe.

Last January, however, the Government almost doubled KwaNdebele's population by the forcible transfer of the Moutse district from the neighbouring homeland of Lebowa, which has refused "independence", to Mr Skosana's semi-feudal fiefdom. Moutse has a population of about 120,000, predominantly of North Sotho stock, the great majority of them bitterly opposed to the transfer.

### Rhodesia war tax evaders told to pay up

Harare (AFP) - Small-scale black businessmen told by guerrillas fighting the pre-independence Rhodesian regime to avoid paying taxes as part of a civil disobedience campaign, are now being forced to repay all they owe to the Zimbabwe Government.

The black business community owes millions of dollars in unpaid taxes going back to 1975, when the white minority government was in power.

"The people in power today told us not to pay taxes to Smith. Now they want the money," a businessman said.

### Columns may move

From Diana Geddes, Paris

The controversial striped columns by Daniel Buren may yet be removed from the Palais Royal in Paris, where they are in the process of being erected, despite the Culture Ministry's decision earlier this week that the work should be completed.

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office, said yesterday that M Jacques Chirac, as Mayor of Paris, had always disapproved of the project, and hinted strongly that M Chirac, as Prime Minister, may decide to have the 260 columns moved.

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M Denis Baudouis, spokesman for the Prime Minister's

cant community in the state, must be appeased by the PBS to ensure they do not become restless and try to disrupt the PBS administration once more," one analyst said.

Others said the PBS should bring political stability to the state by ensuring that its government was not weakened by further defections in the State Assembly.

Previous Sabah governments have been plagued by crossovers which Datuk Patinggi has pledged to outlaw. Proposed legislation says an assemblyman wanting to defect must resign his seat.

The analysts said the PBS faced an uphill task in trying to revive the recession-hit oil and timber-based state economy.

Kuala Lumpur, 625 miles to the west across the South China Sea, controls security, development, oil revenue and immigration to the state, on the northern tip of Borneo.

The federal Government has congratulated Datuk Patinggi on his victory and analysts said PBS was now likely to be accepted into the coalition as it had shown it had multi-racial support.

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### Japanese hooked on 'Diana boom'

From David Watts, Kyoto

No one catches on to a craze quite like the Japanese, but the current "Diana boom" is breaking all records.

For Japanese girls Diana is the princess of their dreams. She's a commercial dream come true for every businessman from the TV networks to the corner noodle shop and the big publishing empires.

One enterprising small Tokyo family restaurant owner is offering "Diana domburi" - a tasty rice-based dish topped with fried chicken.

A hairdresser offered her first 50 customers a "Diana cut" for the equivalent of £1 - a tempting bargain in Japan where a lady's hair-do normally costs £35 or £40.

In the last few weeks there have been several hour-long television programmes running exhaustive coverage of the Princess's life.

One station is running the *Diana Monogatari* - a cleverly-produced cartoon animation film telling the story of the royal couple's romance.

For their arrival two stations were running documentary specials about her life and a third was planning to run an interview.

But any Japanese could be forgiven for not realizing that the Prince of Wales was

coming at all, such has been the concentration on the Princess.

When a Tokyo television reporter interviewed a string of young people about the recent Tokyo summit of the seven industrialized countries, many young girls thought the British delegation was being led by the Princess of Wales.

Mrs Thatcher's well-nigh regal performance at the summit contributed a stirring opening to what will be a formidable few weeks for British womanhood in Japan.

In the publishing field, there is *The Princess Diana Fashion Book*, *Princess Diana, Magnificent Fashion and Portrait of Love*, and the more mundane *Story of Princess Diana*. Magazine prices run up to £4 but there are special presents, brochures and pottery costing anything up to a hundred times that.

Few Japanese can claim the Princess's staturesque build, but that has not prevented the fashion industry from offering all sorts of variations on the Diana theme at truly regal prices.

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### Key rebel base falls to Burma

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

The capture by Burmese troops of Palu, an important stronghold of Karen rebels on the Thai border, is probably the beginning of the end for the 37-year-old Karen rebellion, according to Christian missionaries who provide aid to Karen refugees inside Thailand.

Karen guerrillas last week abandoned Palu, which they have never lost before, after infantry, supported by artillery, captured a hill overlooking it.

Palu is a large Karen settlement going back to the early years of the century, a military base and one of the biggest trading links between the area and the outside world. The Karens impose a 5 per cent levy on the trade, their main source of revenue, which has been drying up, they have steadily lost territory during the past two-and-a-half years.

Thai military officers and Western relief workers say Burmese soldiers now occupy the civilian section of Palu village, where they burned 20 houses, while some rebels are still holding out in military fortifications to the east.

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### Russians say ball now in US court

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

"We have done our part - it is for the other side to take the next step," Mr Viktor Karpov, chief Soviet delegate, said yesterday as negotiations resumed with the Americans on controlling nuclear and space weapons.

He was speaking while waiting to receive the US delegation, headed by Mr Max Kampelman, at the Soviet diplomatic mission.

Pointing out that the Russians had put forward proposals in all three areas of the talks - strategic and medium-range missiles and weapons in space - Mr Karpov added: "We do not feel new proposals are needed from us because those already made open the way to agreement."

In reply to the US contention that no response had been forthcoming to its strategic arms reduction proposal of November 1 - incorporating ideas presented earlier by the Russians - he said his delegation's reaction had "been sufficiently critical for the US to understand that this proposal would not serve as a basis for agreement. They know that. We suggested a solution opening the way to agreement. The other side should say yes or suggest something else."

He said the American Strategic Defence Initiative remained a stumbling block.

Did he expect this fifth round to pave the way for a summit later in the year? "Let's wait and see," he said.

After the appointment of Mr Yuli Kvititskiy, who headed the Soviet space and defence weapons group, as ambassador to Bonn, Mr Karpov has taken over that role, opposite Mr Kampelman.

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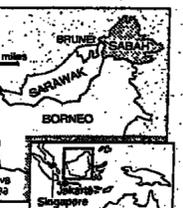
The Philippines Defence Minister, Mr Juan Ponce Enrile, said yesterday he would oppose, for reasons of national security, the issue of a new passport to depose President Marcos to allow him to return from exile in Hawaii.

Mr Enrile had said earlier that Mr Marcos - whom he served as Defence Minister for 16 years - would immediately be arrested if he returned from Hawaii, where he fled on February 25 after the successful civilian-backed military revolt led by Mr Enrile and the chief of the armed forces, General Fidel Ramos.

On the instructions of President Aquino the Foreign Ministry also cancelled the passport of Mr Marcos's Manila lawyer, Mr Rafael Recto, who returned from Hawaii at the weekend.

Mr Recto said Mr Marcos was willing to face arrest and defend himself in court on corruption charges, if he was issued with a new passport.

Government radio quoted the Foreign Minister, Mr Salvador Laurel, as saying Mr Recto's name was among a list



### Sabah victors must heal Muslim rift

Kota Kinabalu, Sabah (Reuters) - Sabah's Christian-dominated Government must heal a growing rift with Muslims to hold on to its renewed mandate and return stability to the east Malaysian state, political analysts said yesterday.

The Kadazan tribe-based Parti Bersatu Sabah (PBS), which won an absolute majority in this week's state elections, now needs to join the federal coalition of the Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, to rule effectively.

Sabah is the only one of Malaysia's 13 states not ruled by a member of the 11-party multi-racial National Front.

In the second election in just over a year, the PBS crushed its arch-rival, the Malay Muslim United Sabah National Organisation (USNO), and the federally-backed and non-ethnically multi-racial Berjaya party, by winning 34 of the 48 elected state assembly seats. Previously, it had 25 seats.

The USNO retained 12 of its 16 seats while Berjaya kept only one of its four. The Sabah Chinese Consolidated Party took the other seat, but its holder promptly crossed over

to the PBS, which can nominate another six seats.

The Christian Chief Minister, Datuk Joseph Patinggi Kitingan, called the second election - just 10 months after coming to power in April 1985 - after a spate of defections by his assemblymen to the Opposition robbed him of a majority.

Muslim unrest against his administration and court cases challenging his rule also prompted him to seek a new mandate.

Five people died and 20 were wounded in a wave of arson, bombings and rioting by Muslim activists against the PBS Government in March. They alleged it discriminated

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# Ershad explains away poll violence as 'normal'

From Michael Hamlyn Dhaka

The Bangladesh martial law regime, with its credibility badly battered by the blatant error tactics used at the polls by its supporters, tried yesterday to limit the damage.

President Ershad called in the foreign journalists, all of whom had seen the effects of the violence and ballot-rigging, and explained that things were not so bad as they seemed.

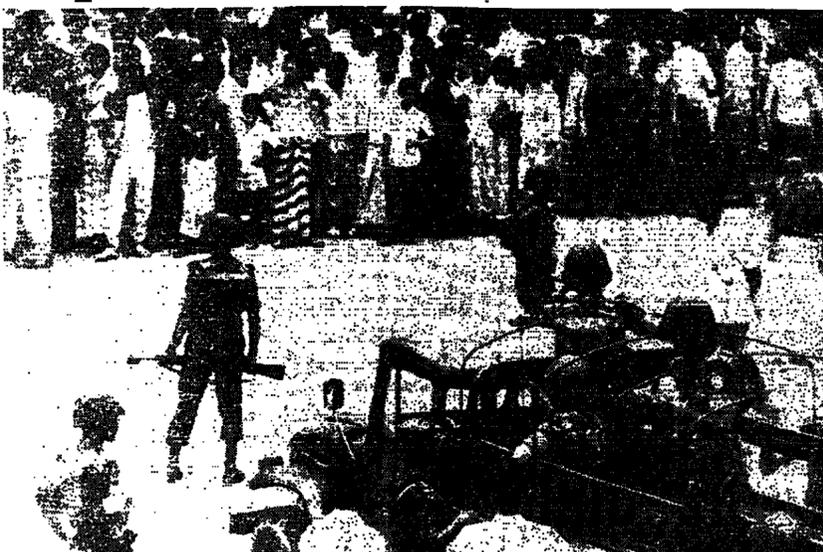
He said the election to the country's Parliament "went off, so far as I know, except in a few places, which usually happens".

First he played down the extent and the significance of the misbehaviour. "There was not a sign of violence," he said, "except in a few booths, where rival parties clashed. It's a normal feature of a developing nation."

Secondly he wanted to tribute blame for such disturbances as there were to the other side. "Electoral violence as started long ago. It was started by the Awami League," he said.

Thirdly he pointed to the early results that were being published. "The parties are neck-and-neck," he said. "Nobody in this country could say this election was rigged."

It is indeed true that the early results show the parties neck-and-neck. With counting completed in 183 of the 300 seats open for election, the Awami party, which supports the President's policies, has won 78 seats; the Awami



Armed Bangladeshi troops preventing voters near Dhaka from polling, saying that the booths were already closed at 10am.

League, the principal opposition party, has won 55; the minor parties in coalition with the Awami League have won another 19. Independents have taken 20 seats, the other minor parties have 12.

The team of Britons here to observe the election as neutrals as possible, considering they were brought by the People's Commission for Free

Elections set up by the Awami League, insisted that nothing could be judged from the early results alone.

The three members of the team were adamant that what they had seen on election day showed a massive and widespread attempt to rig the elections.

"If results are announced based on the voting we saw yesterday," said Lord Ennals, the leader, "they are based on a fraudulent election."

Between them Lord Ennals, Mr Martin Brandon Bravo, Conservative MP for Nottingham South, and Mr David Lay of the BBC saw assistant presiding officers filling ballot boxes with ballot papers, though there were no voters present; they saw voters' lists

indicating that 100 per cent of the register had voted, even though the register was three years old; and they saw violence and intimidation of voters and party agents.

"We felt that the principal offender was the Jatiya Party," said Mr Bravo yesterday. "Though the blame is overwhelmingly to be put on the



Sheikh Hasina, who has alleged election fraud.

government party, all independent observers agree there is, some evidence of the misbehaviour of members of other parties.

Renewed polling will take place in those polling stations which were closed on orders of the presiding officers.

And, according to General Ershad, the Parliament will be summoned within a month of the official announcement of the results.

He is anxious to come to an agreement with the Opposition on a number of policy issues, that would not be disturbed by possible changes of government in the future, he said.

"Let us have a broad consensus on certain major national issues," he said, "indicating that the though he thought the Jatiya Party would probably win the elections which were now being declared, the Awami League would not be far behind."

# Liberals united by fear in Colombia presidential race

From Geoffrey Matthews, Bogotá

It used to be said that the only difference between the two political parties in Colombia was that the Conservatives went to the nine o'clock Mass and the Liberals at ten.

Certainly in ideological terms there has never been much to distinguish them, as confirmed by the campaigns of the two main candidates in the current presidential election race.

Yet Colombian history has often been stained by merciless, senseless and bloody civil wars between Liberals and Conservatives, the last of which in the 1950s claimed an estimated 200,000 lives, and fears of a new *violencia* — as that last tragic conflict was known — have made the election result a foregone conclusion.

Nobody here doubts that on May 25 the Liberal candidate, Señor Virgilio Barco Vargas, a technocrat, will be elected to succeed President Belisario Betancur Cuatras, a titular Conservative whose four-year term ends in August.

President Betancur was a very different kind of Colombian politician, Liberal or Conservative. An idealist and populist (and indeed extremely popular until this last year of his administration), he coyly described himself as "to the left of the right" and steered a somewhat radical course in domestic and foreign policy, the cornerstone of both being peace.

It was on his initiative that the Contadora group was formed by Colombia, Mexico, Venezuela and Panama to seek negotiated solutions to the various conflicts raging in Central America.

At the same time he offered generous amnesty terms to Colombia's various revolutionary guerrilla groups in a bid to end the political violence which has convulsed this country since the sectarian bloodletting of the 1950s.

In the end, everything was to blow up in his face in the nightmare events of last November. First, the belligerent subversive April 19 movement (M19), which earlier had broken off a ceasefire pact, took the Palace of Justice in Bogotá in a siege which was to end the next day in a blood-bath when government troops stormed the building.

A week later the Nevado del Ruiz volcano erupted in central Colombia, killing 25,000 and adding to the mood of national gloom.

The M19 action fuelled the view among Colombians that the Government had ceded

too much to the guerrillas in the quest for peace, while also generating criticism of Señor Betancur's efforts within Contadora, particularly after the M19 arms used in the siege were traced conclusively to Nicaragua.

The Liberals have always been Colombia's majority party, and historically the Conservatives can only gain power, as Señor Betancur did in 1982, when the Liberal vote is split.

This time the Liberals are united, a circumstance produced by the conservative candidacy of Señor Alvaro Gómez Hurtado, the Liberals' *bête noire* and the most controversial Colombian politician.

Señor Gómez's misfortune is to be the son of the reactionary conservative President widely blamed for the poisoned sectarianism that led to the first *violencia*.

The Liberals are capitalizing on fears that Señor Gómez would revive old party hatreds and so add to the spiralling climate of political violence.

Such fears, however unjustified, led Señor Gómez to lose by a landslide in his previous bid for the presidency in 1974 and will do so again now, even though his policies are no more right-wing than those of Señor Barco.

Both would take a stronger line on subversion, provide incentives to private business, take a much more pro-Washington line, and prove less active in Contadora than Señor Betancur.



President Betancur: a final year of unpopularity.

The third candidate is Jaime Pardo Leal, of the Patriotic Union, a left-wing movement newly founded by former members of the nation's biggest guerrilla group, the Moscow-line Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), which has agreed a series of ceasefire pacts.

## Horror of Grenada executions

St George's, Grenada (Reuter) — A prosecution witness in the Maurice Bishop murder trial testified yesterday that a soldier had slashed the former Grenadian Prime Minister's throat and sliced a finger from his corpse to get a ring.

Another witness said the bodies of Bishop and his associates were burnt "like frying eggs" in an army camp the day after they were executed during a coup on October 19, 1983.

Eighteen former left-wing leaders are on trial for the murders, which resulted in the US invasion of the Caribbean island six days later. Among the defendants are Mr Bernard Coard, the former Deputy Prime Minister, his wife Phyllis, and Mr Hudson Austin, the ex-army commander who led the coup.

Miss Shirley Ann-Marie Charles said that after Bishop had been executed by a firing squad she had watched Captain Lester Redhead, a soldier in the People's Revolutionary Army, slash his throat and cut off a finger with a ring on it.

Helped by a soldier, she had carried down Bishop's bullet-riddled body to the bottom square at Fort Rupert. The second prosecution witness, Mr Christopher Bowen, a former soldier, said he saw the bodies of Bishop and his associates being burnt at an army camp at Calivigny, in the south of the island, the following day. "I saw bodies frying like eggs in a frying pan," he said.

He said Lieutenant Callistus Bernard, one of the defendants, then threw the bodies into a latrine hole.

## Contadora demand by Arias

From Martha Honey San José

Dr Oscar Arias, aged 45, a lawyer and economist educated in Britain, was inaugurated yesterday as Costa Rica's youngest-ever President. He pledged in his inaugural address to sign the Contadora Act on June 6 and to demand "the fixing of a timetable for the complete fulfilment of agreed commitments".

He called the Contadora Act, which aims to negotiate an end to the war in Nicaragua and to remove US and other foreign troops and military advisers from the region, "a faithful reflection of the longing to see democracy spread in Central America and on the continent".

He reiterated Costa Rica's "unshakable faith in the search for a peaceful solution through diplomatic means", but said that any diplomatic negotiations should not be prolonged.

He is convening a summit meeting of the ten Latin American Presidents who attended the inauguration, all of whom have been active participants in the Contadora peace process.

President Daniel Ortega of Nicaragua, who says he will not sign the agreement until the US ends its support for the rebel Contras, was dissuaded from attending because Costa Rican officials feared he would provoke public demonstrations and steal the limelight from Dr Arias.

However, Dr Arias told a press conference later that he believed Nicaragua was seriously thinking of signing the Contadora Act.

## 16 Romanians defect at Seville cup match

Seville (Reuter) — At least 16 of about 1,000 Romanian football fans attending Wednesday's European Cup final in Seville have sought political asylum in the city, police here said yesterday.

A spokesman said five fans approached stadium police before and during the evening's game and 11 more went to police headquarters overnight. One had gone first to the West German consulate before the match and was taken to the police

At least four more Romanians failed to board chartered flights home and were unaccounted for, he said.

The defectors, who were all male and aged 30 to 51, remained at police headquarters while their asylum requests were being processed.

Their team, Steaua Bucharest, beat Barcelona on a penalties shoot-out to become the first team from a communist country to win the European Cup.

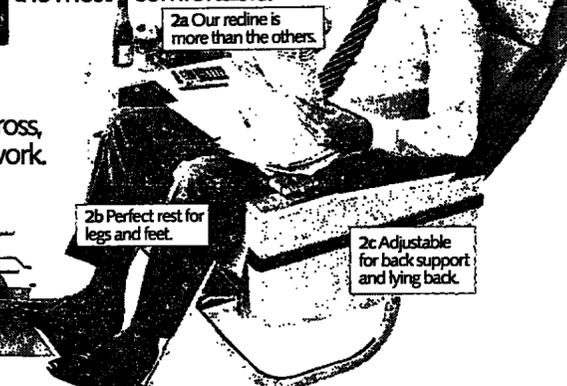
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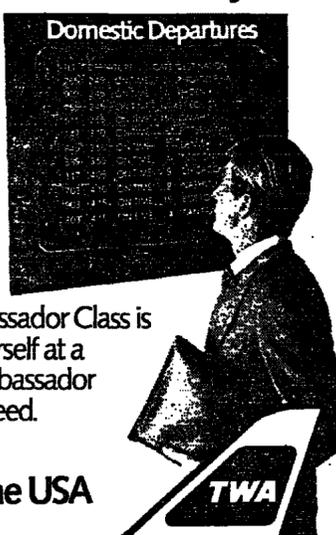


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# Allies through six centuries

Portugal is often, and correctly, described as Britain's oldest ally. The description tends to be of more emotional than practical significance in modern times, and beyond the element of good will has little obvious relevance to either country's needs. Both have been members of Nato since its foundation, and both are now members of the European Community.

But there were periods in the past when the alliance was of great significance to both countries. The Treaty of Windsor, signed in the Chapel Royal of the castle on May 9, 1386, 600 years ago today, had considerable influence on European affairs.

Even now it is far from dormant. In 1982, at the time of the Falklands war, Britain made a secret request to Lisbon for its aircraft to be allowed to use the base at Lajes in the Azores. The Portuguese replied that they would agree if the request was made under the terms of the Treaty of Windsor, and that was done.

Similarly during the Second World War Portugal, a neutral, gave rights to use the Azores first to Britain, and then to the United States, after London had invoked the Anglo-Portuguese alliance.

When it was signed, between Richard II of England and John I of Portugal, the treaty seemed little different from many other such treaties, which reflected the shifting alliances of the period. But it stuck because it reflected genuinely shared interests in the two countries.

These interests were in two main areas. One was commerce: England and Portugal were both maritime, trading nations, and each had goods the other wanted. Even more important, however, was the military-strategic link. Portugal, with its long land frontier with Spain, needed support

against the expansionist designs of its larger neighbour, England, in giving that support, was acting to prevent too great a predominance of any single Continental country, whether Spain or, later, Napoleonic France.

Relations between England and Portugal go back at least to the time of the Crusades. In 1147 a body of Crusaders set off for the Holy Land from Dartmouth, and en route were asked by Afonso Henriques, first King of independent Portugal, to help in driving out the Moors. They took part

The Treaty of Windsor was regularly confirmed during the 15th century. Portuguese interest waned in the 16th, and the treaty fell into abeyance during the 60 years from 1580 to 1640 when Portugal was united with Spain.

But after the overthrow of rule from Madrid Portugal turned to England again. In 1661, when Portugal was once again under serious threat from Spain, an important treaty of alliance was signed with the newly restored Charles II, by which Charles married Catherine of Braganza and England committed itself again to defending Portuguese territory.

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guese decisively defeated the troops of John of Castile, who had invaded Portugal, at Aljubarrota in 1385.

The battle established Portuguese independence, and the value of the English link. In the following year the far-reaching Treaty of Windsor was signed, formally committing the two countries to the defence of each other's interests and territories "for ever". It was quickly followed by the marriage of the Portuguese King to Philippa of Lancaster, daughter of John of Gaunt.

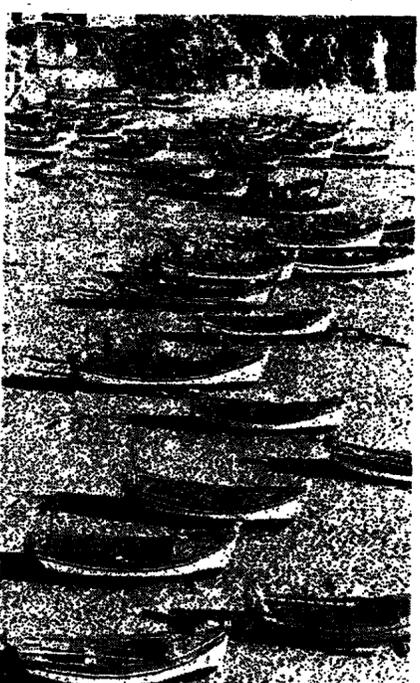
John and Philippa's children included Henry the Navigator, who played a leading part in setting off the remarkable expansion of Portugal overseas.

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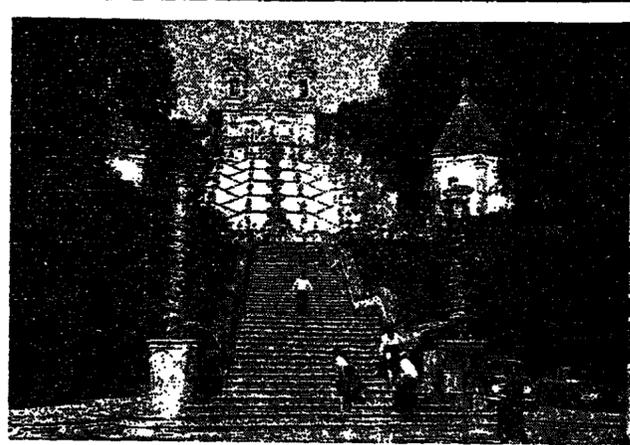
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From sea to shrine: Traditional-style fishing boats at Albufeira and the sanctuary of Jesus do Monte near Braga, visited by thousands of pilgrims every year

restored by the end of the century.

In the First World War Portugal was initially neutral, but sent troops to fight on the Allied side after Germany had declared war on it.

By the Second World War links were already less close between Portugal and Britain, and Dr Salazar, the Portuguese dictator, had some political sympathy for the Axis powers. But he maintained Portuguese neutrality and exercised himself to keep Franco's Spain out of the war. Once it was clear which way the war was going he was increasingly helpful to the Allies, not least by allowing use of the Azores.

In Portugal today, a democracy again, the British presence is much less marked than it was. But there is an awareness, learnt in history lessons at school, of the part that Britain has played in Portuguese affairs, if also a sense that if Britain often helped it also often took undue advantage of its greater strength.

But a predisposition to be friendly and, more practically, the response to the British request at the time of the Falklands war showed that after 600 years the alliance does live on.

Peter Stafford

## The legacy of a revolution

It is hard to exaggerate the importance of Portugal's 1974 "Revolution of the Carnations", when the armed forces ended a hopeless colonial war by sweeping away both a 50-year-old dictatorial regime and an overseas empire which was then the oldest in the world.

Politically and economically, the revolution marked the most significant watershed this century for the small nation of nine million people. It brought them back to the west European mainstream and provided the basis for the country's incorporation in the European Community from January 1 this year.

Yet socially the consequences have proved to be less decisive, or at least less directly identifiable with the revolution. Twelve years after the events of April 1974, it is fashionable to emphasize how Portugal has returned to its much-loved conservative ways.

Even in politics it is possible to question the lasting impact of the more revolutionary aims of 1974.

The centre-right government of Senhor Anibal Cavaco

Silva, elected last October, has a Cabinet of many technocrats seeking pragmatic answers to Portugal's problems. Many young Portuguese in that election and in the presidential election which followed were evidently less attracted to the more radical ideals of 1974.

Expresso, Portugal's leading weekly, conducted a poll for the anniversary which reveals that more than 50 per cent of young Portuguese confess they prefer to obey orders rather than give them.

Portugal is a small country without ethnic, religious or linguistic problems, but, as western Europe's poorest nation, it does have serious regional and social inequalities.

Its working and rural classes are still more deferential than in neighbouring European countries, so the post-1974 democratic rulers lack the corresponding pressures and stimulus from below.

Yet the advent of the fresh winds of democracy brought the nation many benefits amid the painful upheaval of 1974.

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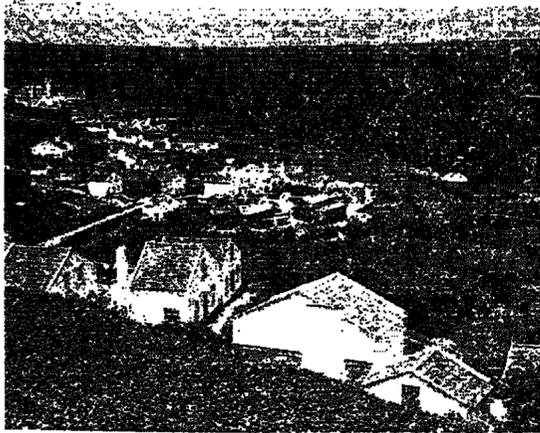
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On the outskirts of Lisbon by the river stand the beautiful Manueline monastery and cloisters of the Jeronimos. The Belém tower, where the ships of Vasco da Gama and other explorers moored, stands in the water.

Just 20 km down the coast are the resorts of Cascais and Estoril. In the hills 25 km west of Lisbon sits Cintra, a favourite haunt of British tourists for more than 300 years. The Cintra Royal Palace dates from the 14th century. The 19th century Pena Palace sits on a pinnacle surrounded by gardens with more than 3,000 varieties of plants and trees.

A day's itinerary from Lisbon could include visits to the 14th-century Batalha monas-

try, the picturesque fishing village of Nazare with its brightly coloured boats, and Obidos, a charming medieval walled town.

In the north are the Douro Valley and the city of Oporto, famous for the port trade. A trip along the Douro through the terraced vineyards or a journey across the river to Oporto to the old bodegas to taste the port are evocative.

In the centre of the country are Estremoz, Evora and many fortified old towns. Evora is the most architecturally interesting town in Portugal, with styles from the Roman temple of Diana to the Renaissance.

There is tourist accommodation all over the country. The most unusual are the pousadas, government-run hotels in converted monasteries, forts or castles or in modern, specially constructed buildings.

## Martha de la Cal The nine islands

The nine Portuguese islands that lie in the Azores archipelago, 900 miles from Europe and 2,000 miles from America, are one of the vital strategic points in Nato defence. The Portuguese air base at Lajes on Terceira Island is

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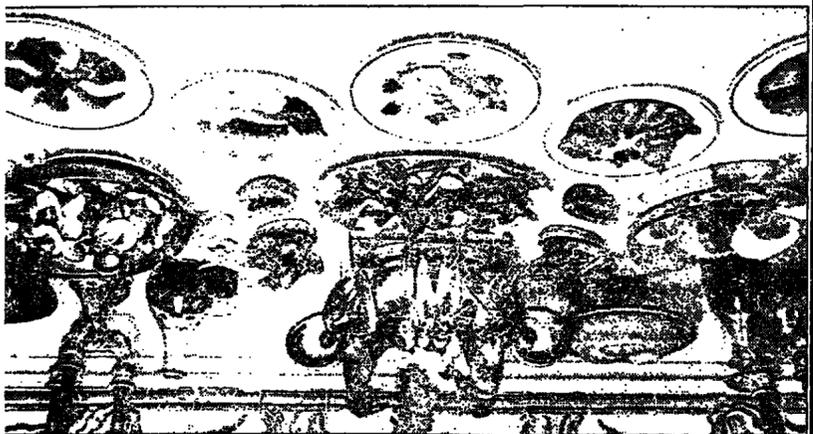
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# The fresh winds blown in by revolution

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76 and ushered in much badly-needed change.

Liberty brought a regular consultation of the wishes of the people, not ready-made solutions for their problems. Some would say there have been far too many elections, including four in the past seven months.

In all these polls the Portuguese have shown a remarkable attachment to maintaining an equilibrium. Perhaps that is to be explained by the experience in 1974 of lurching within weeks from a right-wing dictatorship to an attempted people's democracy.

Ever since the elections for the first constitutional government in 1976, a majority of Portuguese have shown themselves cannyly opposed to concentrating power on either the left or the right.

That, of course, has not meant there are no Portuguese voters wanting to install a communist dictatorship, or no voters casting a frightened "no" to stop that, or no voters wanting to return to a thinly disguised version of the Salazar regime. But the majorities have been consistently for the centre-left Socialists or the centre-right Social Democrats.

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Mario Soares: Emphasizing an elder-statesman role

ernment since the general elections last October. His party obtained no more than 29.8 per cent of the votes, or 88 seats, in Portugal's 250-seat single chamber parliament.

The Socialists, severely punished by the voters for an economic austerity programme they had implemented, obtained 20 per cent, or 57 seats.

The October elections in fact marked a new point of departure for all Portuguese parties, and perhaps recognition of the fact that, however important the 1974 revolution was, a new generation of voters must increasingly be heeded.

As president, Dr Soares is emphasizing an elder-statesman's role, seeking to avoid interfering with the government. His five-year term could provide the political stability badly needed for Portugal's economic development and adjustment to the Common Market.

The sense of a change of generation will also be provided by the Socialists electing a new party leader to succeed him next month.

In spite of revisions in 1982, the Portuguese constitution provides for a semi-presiden-

tial system of government. Senhor Cavaco, after having last month's Budget amended on crucial tax proposals by the Opposition, is evidently looking for an opportunity to go to the country and win a majority.

His business-like conduct of affairs as Prime Minister has created a good impression. Signs of an improvement in the economy, with real wages going up for the first time in more than two years, might tempt him to try his luck.

However, the Portuguese voters might react unfavourably to any politician they judge to be plunging their country so soon again into costly elections. Senhor Cavaco may be forced to soldier on.

So long as he has to do that, the 45 MPs of the Democratic Renewal Party, launched last year to be the vehicle for President Eanes when he stepped down, are crucial to parliamentary arithmetic.

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Legend has it that Madeira was discovered in 1346 by the Englishman Robert Machim, who was shipwrecked there with his mistress. History books give the credit to João Gonçalves Zarco, a Portuguese explorer who landed there in 1419 and named the island Isla de Madeira - wooded island - and claimed it for Portugal.

Irrespective of who discovered it, ties with England have always been close. English merchants settled there in the 15th and 16th centuries and when Charles II married Catherine of Braganza in 1660 they were given special privileges.

A large British garrison was stationed in Madeira during the Napoleonic wars, when Portugal was allied with Britain. Many of the soldiers married local girls and remained on the island.

British tourists have long enjoyed its spectacular volcanic mountains which rise out of the sea, its exotic flowers, its gracious living and its famous old hotels.

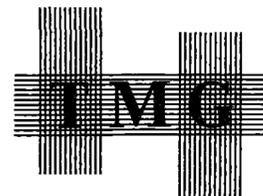
Madeira has been somewhat forgotten of late, but it is being rediscovered. The airport runway has been extended to take planes that can fly direct from London. The local government is also encouraging foreign investment.

A project to establish a free-trade and offshore banking zone on the east of the island was approved in 1980.

Madeira depends heavily on tourism. Madeira wine is the island's biggest export, but it imports much more than it exports. Its rocky terrain makes farming extremely difficult.

The greater part of the island remains unoccupied. The 300,000 inhabitants are concentrated in the south around Funchal, the capital.

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On the long road to recovery

Portugal appears to be on the road to economic recovery after a decade of mounting deficits, high unemployment, stagnating investments and burgeoning foreign debt.

There are several reasons for optimism. The country is poised to save over a billion dollars a year through the drop in oil prices. The spectacular decline of the dollar in relation to the escudo has now made it easier to pay for essential imports such as food, raw materials and equipment.

Portugal will also receive large sums from the EEC, which it joined on January 1, for roads, highways, dams, irrigation schemes, airports, schools, hospitals, sewage disposal, forestation, rural infrastructure, tourist facilities and professional training centres.

Finally, the present government under the Social Democrat Prime Minister, Senhor Anibal Cavaco Silva, inherited a considerably improved balance of payments situation from the former government under Dr Mario Soares.

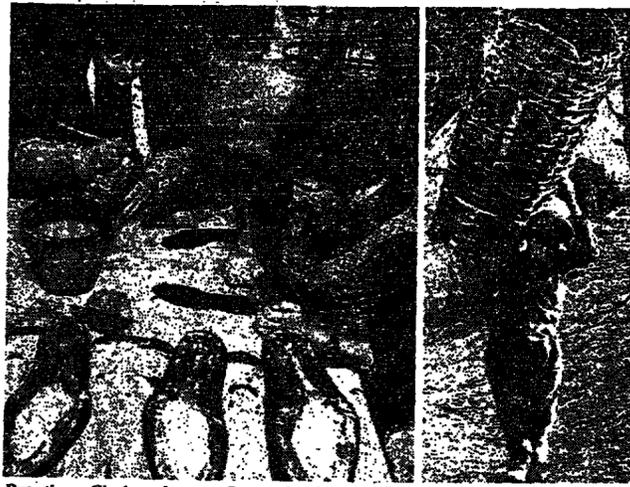
Portugal is hoping to attract foreign investment by stressing membership of the EEC, cheap labour and fiscal benefits. "We are encouraging foreign investment that will produce for export or import substitution and provide jobs," Dr Miguel Cadilhe, the Finance Minister, said. "We also want to see it directed toward advanced technology and areas where we have no experience."

Foreign investment in 1985 was worth £200 million, an increase of 53 per cent over 1984. It was mainly in banking, cellulose paper, chemicals, mining and electro-mechanical industries. The biggest investor was Britain, with Barclays Bank, Wiggins Teape and Rio Tinto Zinc to the fore.

Early this year the Portuguese government and Fiat signed a £9 million contract to make auto components for export. Japanese and Brazilian companies and others are studying projects in electronics, precision mechanics, computer software and food processing.

Economic growth, which was estimated at 2.5 per cent in 1985, is expected to increase to four per cent in 1986.

Inflation fell from 30 per cent over the past few years to 19.3 per cent in 1985 and is continuing to fall. Dr Cadilhe



Busy times: Gloeing soles at an Oporto shoe factory and a boy leads a hand with the grape harvest in the Douro valley

predicts it will be at 12 per cent by the end of the year. Because of reduced inflation, real wages, which had dropped below 1973 levels, should become positive and permit an increase in private consumption of about 3.5 per cent.

The government plans to allow the balance of payments deficit to rise in order to stimulate growth and new industries. The foreign debt will be allowed to go up for the next three or four years to permit investment in export or import substitution industries," Dr Cadilhe said. "The deficit will correct itself

There is a danger that the more aggressive Spain may flood the country with products

when these industries produce. We need a billion dollars and six or seven years and then we will be over the hump."

The government is putting great faith in the Portuguese private sector's ability to respond to the EEC challenge and overcome an inertia which is the result of 50 years of protectionism under the regime overthrown by the 1974 revolution and the subsequent turmoil and nationalizations.

But in spite of optimism

about the future, many problems remain. Unemployment still stands at 11 per cent. Portugal's agriculture is the most backward and underdeveloped in Europe. The state companies such as shipbuilding, transport and steel continue to gobble up government funds without producing returns. One hundred thousand workers are owed many months of back salaries.

Entry into the EEC has brought not only community funds, but the threat that Portugal's industries may be unable to stand up to the new competition. There is also the threat that a more aggressive

and industrialized Spain, just across the border, may flood the country with Spanish products.

At the same time the United States is threatening to limit imports of Portuguese wines, textiles and other products because of the accession of Spain and Portugal to the EEC. The US argues that entry will cost it vast sums in lost exports of grains and other products.

Finally, the political future of the country continues to be

doubtful. Senhor Cavaco Silva heads a minority government based on only 39 per cent of the vote. He is determined to reduce the state's role in the business and industrial sector and promote the role of private investors. He also wants to liberalize the labour laws to permit dismissals and attract investment. However the Opposition has successfully blocked or modified most of his projects.

Recently Parliament voted to lower the price of petrol against the wishes of the government, which wanted the billion dollars saved on oil imports used to pay off debts.

The government will soon present its controversial labour legislation. Most businessmen see it as necessary to attract investment. They say no one is willing to increase the work force when demand is high if they cannot lay them off when demand falls.

If the labour laws and other future government proposals are turned down by parliament, it might become necessary to form another government in the next few months - either from among the parties in parliament or to take the problem to the voters in a general election.

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Now they even hurry the port over lunch

Oporto, serious, grey and hardworking, keeps its renowned wines at a distance. The 80 or so lodges where port is prepared and aged before being shipped around the world are clustered unobtrusively in shabby Vila Nova de Gaia, facing the city across the deep Douro River ravine. The wines themselves are produced miles away up the river.

However, the sanctum of the port trade is in the city itself. It is a solid, rather imposing stone building called the Factory House, the domain since the 18th century of the British Association, a group of wine shippers - 11 at present - who dominate the port trade today. The past is very much alive at the Factory House. The 18th-century ambience encourages a certain formality, and a respect still remains for time-consuming civility in what is after all a highly competitive business.

Old formalities still dominate the city

But port is a business, and traces of the 20th century are unavoidable even in the Factory House. The time-honoured Wednesday lunch for members and their guests is no longer the unhurried affair it once was. Now, among the younger members at least, one senses a brisk willingness to forgo the third glass of vintage port at the end and get back to the office.

If port is no longer a British monopoly, the most important firms are still largely British. British firms were well established in the wine shipping trade in Oporto early in the 18th century. By 1755, the year of the devastating Lisbon earthquake, they had gained a monopoly in the trade. The Portuguese growers who supplied them with wine had become so enraged with their price-fixing practices that the formidable prime minister of the time, the Marquês de Pombal, stepped in and broke the cartel by making port production a government monopoly.

There followed a difficult time for the British shippers but they learned to live with state control and by 1786 had become prosperous and secure enough to start building the present Factory House. By the early part of the 19th century, the British mercantile community was a solidly established feature of Oporto.

While everybody applauds the enterprise and tenacity of the pioneer shippers, opinions are divided on the quality of their wines. Many of the early ports seem to have been at best indifferent wines to which sugar, elderberry juice and other potions were frequently added. They would not have met the strict standards laid down by the Instituto do Vinho do Porto (Port Wine Institute), the state-run body which now watches over the quality of port.

Port wine grapes are grown in terraced vineyards on the upper reaches of the Douro, where the river threads through steep hills of schist. The grapes are pressed upriver and then the young wine is brought down to Vila Nova de Gaia. The process is carefully watched by the institute. The wine must be produced within the strictly demarcated growing area and does not go anywhere without the permission of the institute.

Wine cultivation is strictly demarcated

Despite the Britishness of port, the British have been drinking less and less of it. Their place has long since been taken by France, which bought 40.9 per cent of the 634,596 hectolitres Portugal exported in 1985. Belgium is the next biggest buyer with Portugal itself and the United Kingdom third and fourth in the line with about ten per cent each of the market.

However, the British are still the leading buyers of the prestigious and costly vintage ports, and they are buying more and more of them. The British have also taken to a relative newcomer in the quality market, the somewhat less expensive, late bottled vintage port.

Many producers see the up-market ports as the most probable area for expansion. The bulk of port production, the tawnies, rubies and whites, are wines that have been blended from the products of different harvests, matured in wood for a number of years and bottled when they are ready to be drunk.

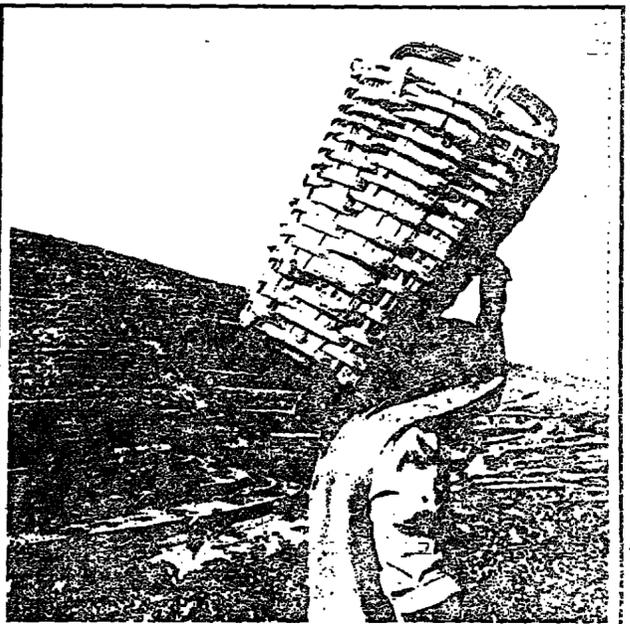
Every so often, though, a harvest, or vintage, of unusually good quality will induce shippers to set aside the entire year's production for ageing separately. This product becomes what is known as vintage port.

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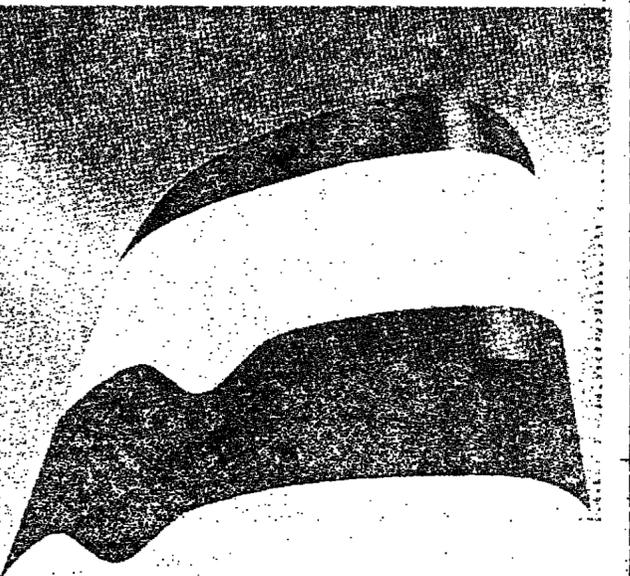
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# The all-change expert

The down-beat image of British Rail's biggest commuter service is due for a colourful shake-up under the much-travelled eyes of its new chief

When Chris Green took over as head of British Rail's London commuter services, he set himself the task of discovering the problems at first hand. By June he plans to have travelled on every line under his control giving him, he claims, an unrivalled knowledge of the network.

Before his arrival in London early this year, Green had earned a reputation as something of a miracle worker for the way he transformed BR's South-East Region and put new fire into the hearts of its stations. He hopes his travels throughout his network will be the first step to another transformation. It is a major task in a region which embraces lines to points as far away as King's Lynn, Ramsgate, Weymouth, Newbury, and Northampton - a total of 2,350 miles.

He has been working his way through the region, travelling on a different line each week. His secretary books him a room at a hotel - this week, apart from a couple of unavoidable nights in London, it's Tunbridge Wells, and next week it will be Winchester and Watford - and he joins commuters from Monday to Thursday, returning home to his family at the weekend.

He recites the statistics of his empire with obvious satisfaction. He has 6,700 coaches, 930 stations and 41,000 staff: every week we run 50,400 trains carrying eight million passengers; every day there are 400,000 passengers coming into London during the peak. The London and south-east network represents almost half BR's passenger revenue and two-thirds of all the passenger journeys. It generates £600 million a year of BR's total business of £1 billion.

If Green reveals an extraordinary dedication to his job it is because he is no ordinary BR executive. Brought up among a family of teachers in Richmond, Surrey, he enjoyed an early taste of commuting by travelling every day to St Paul's School. He thinks he might have had a train set as a child, but had no desire to be an engine driver.

He studied modern history at Oriel College, Oxford, and when he graduated in 1965 briefly considered a career in the Ministry of Transport. Instead, he opted for management training at British Railways, which at the time was reeling under the Beeching axe and hardly seemed to offer a bright lad much of a future. "I saw the positive things that Beeching was doing. I think



He's getting there: Chris Green takes a breather from his train-hopping marathon

the nation got over-emotional at that time", he says. He was attracted to railways not so much by the roar of the loco shed or the smell of steam, but by "the sheer logistics of running trains and organizing people - that's the fascination".

After rising rapidly through the ranks, his flair for organization and motivation has landed him with what many would describe as the toughest job in British Rail. "We have half BR's passenger business so it's tough by definition. We certainly have the most demanding passengers in our sector - travelling with us every day on split-second timings. They know the system as well as we do and are quick to criticize. But I like to crack problems."

The thing that has struck him most forcibly about his travels on the commuter services has been the cynicism of passengers, the "them and us" attitude towards British Rail. More positively, he says he has been impressed by the strength and the humour of the staff. "There's a lot of talent to be built on, and I think what they're looking for is a more cheerful, more colourful railway, and an amnesty in which the public doesn't go on nagging at them for things that aren't their fault."

His immediate reaction has been to launch Operation Pride, the first coordinated drive to improve the

quality of service covering the newly-constituted London commuter region. It is a three-stage plan which, he says, will radically improve the London and south-east rail network and "take it into the first division of European railways".

"The first priority is to restore the quality of service standards. Our efforts to reduce the government subsidy, which has fallen quite dramatically by £100 million in the past three years, have not been achieved without pain, and I think what you're seeing now is some ragged edges of quality, which is what we're attacking." The first stage of the campaign aims to ensure that the drive to reduce the subsidy does not result in more cancellations or cutbacks in cleaning or punctuality.

Analysis has shown that problems of cancellation and punctuality are confined to 20 per cent of the network. Perhaps the worst offender has been the Victoria to Brighton line, which has difficulties with modern signalling equipment. He also believes there are "far too many cancellations" on the Fenchurch Street to Southend line and on the Liverpool Street to Shenfield and Colchester routes - people have a right to expect better, he says. Task forces have been detailed to solve these problems and already he says that the number of cancellations is falling and punctuality is improving.

The second stage of Operation Pride has been the decision to recruit 1,700 new staff - carriage cleaners, booking clerks, train crews and staff for the telephone inquiry bureau. Twenty-six mobile gangs will be set up to give stations a clean-up every three months. Lighting at stations is being improved to make passengers, particularly women, feel safer at night.

H strategy's final part involves the selling and marketing of London's commuter rail network. That includes cheap fares aimed at attracting people on to under-used off-peak services and attractive deals for people travelling to London for a night out. Perhaps the boldest move will be a complete change of image. The drab train colour scheme, which has prevailed since 1964, will be replaced by bold colours.

"The bright colours will be a signal to people that things are changing. We want to show that we're not traditionalists, we're out in the market looking for business. The new image and bright colours will invite people to come and try the service. I guarantee that by September everybody will have quite a clear idea about what the London and south-east network is all about."

Frank Barrett  
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# Song and dance over the West End wavelength

The radio mike has transformed the choreography of the modern musical. But interference waits in the wings



Chess star: Elaine Paige

trated for five electronic synthesizers and performed to an audience sitting round 270 degrees of a circular stage. Chess makes use of 12 radio mikes. Starlight Express has 21. Chess will use 17.

Not only do audiences love it, they have also come to expect it. "Ever more perfect sound in hi-fis and compact discs at home means that people are used to high quality sound", explains Nick Allott, associate producer.

## MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

It is not so much that Chess would suffer if radio microphones did not exist in its present form, it wouldn't be there at all.

For this rock-and-roll musical, with its 37 characters sharing 16 radio microphones, has choreography which depends on unhampered movement, loud sound, and yet at the same time extreme clarity for voices, so that the lead singers can get across the story in their songs. None of this would be conceivable if they were harnessed to hand microphones and the cables that go with them.

Jesus Christ Superstar, comparable in kind, did have to rely on hand microphones: months were devoted to working out how 26 singers could move about, attached to their leads, without muddle. The result? One chorus stayed in the right of the stage, the other to the left; only the principal singers moved more

or less at will, but still they had to stick to the middle. Today's total freedom - the ability to jump, twist, turn against loud sound and yet still be heard - is what is new.

One scene from Chess demonstrates the difference the radio microphone can make. The American chess player is giving a press conference. He struts, sits down, leaps to his feet, and circles the stage, while reporters and television crews fire off questions as they, too, jump and cluster around him. The words are all in a song, to heavy accompaniment. The chess player becomes fractious, a brawl breaks out.

Without the radio mike only the star, holding a hand microphone, could move. The reporters would have to sit. The brawl would take place without song - or else the song words would be indecipherable behind the loud music and general rumpus.

or so Cameron Mackintosh for Chess and Les Misérables. "Why come to the theatre if it's so much better at home?"

The threat to all this stems from the decision of the Department of Trade and Industry to cease 405-line black and white broadcasting and to set up an inquiry designed to reappraise the entire use of the spectrum. From their birth in the early 1970s, and particularly after Chess made it all look so exciting, the radio mikes have been co-existing peacefully, in an amicable fire-fall, with other users of the same band - namely the broadcasting services. When friction seemed likely, technicians met first to decide between themselves who would use what.

In preparation for the night when the Chess attended a preview of Starlight Express, long discussions were held between sound engineers and the BBC and ITA. There was no interference with the sound. Two nights later, as if to prove how dicy the system can be, the press office forgot to tell the Starlight Express sound team that the BBC was coming again; the result was mayhem, the interference being so bad that the principal singers were inaudible.

When the decision was made to re-examine the allocation of the frequencies, long-established users like the emergency services and broadcasters simply put in their applications for the bits best suited to their needs. And, it seems, a little more.

For those not already recognized were allowed in they found themselves "left with the scraps", in the words of Andrew Bruce of Autograph, sound engineer or designer on 13 of the current or forthcoming musicals. The scraps were bits of the frequency so ill-suited to radio microphones that they would not be worth using.

What enraged him, and the musical lobby that rapidly built up to fight the threatened legislation, was that he was unofficially told that those who were to get the band he wanted - people concerned with animal tracking and cordless telephones - were of "serious industrial importance", while musicals were "only amusement".

The radio microphones are crucial, according to Nick Allott. Take them away and why bother to spend £18.50 on a seat?

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# Beware the loan arranger

No one can doubt that the days of mortgage shortages are gone - probably for good. In the past few months an increasing number of financial institutions have begun pushing an unprecedented amount of money at home-buyers.

The frenetic competition has led to more generous lending terms, lower interest rates and special offers of all sorts. The Midland Bank is giving subsidies on survey and legal fees to people who switch their home loan from another lender. The Trustee Savings Bank is offering free house contents insurance to tempt new borrowers, and Lloyds Bank has even established its Black Horse estate agency chain to provide a complete property-buying package.

A few months ago banks generally lent only up to 80 to 85 per cent of a property's value. They are now willing to go to 90 and even 95 per cent. In short, the mortgage market has become a bonanza for borrowers - so much so that Roy Cox, chairman of the Building Societies Association, felt obliged this week to warn his members against "relaxing lending standards in order to obtain an adequate volume of business". In other words: do not lend to those

As the boom in mortgage lending continues, there are fears that home-buyers may be borrowing themselves into bankruptcy



who cannot afford the repayments. How did the boom come about? In essence, it is the result of basic alterations in financial markets and in the priorities banks and others have set themselves. Until the end of the 1970s the building societies had over 90 per cent of the mortgage market, mainly because no other institutions took an interest. In 1979, however, the big clearing banks realized that much of their international lending, particularly to Lat-

in America, was going seriously wrong. They also noted that the UK home loan market offered higher returns than almost any other kind of lending. From the start the banks were aggressively innovative. In general they offered the interest rates to borrowers of large amounts as to smaller borrowers, undermining the building societies' commercially indefensible practice of charging more to bigger borrowers. By 1981, they had picked up more than 20 per cent of the mortgage market.

But the enthusiasm of the borrowing public took the banks by surprise. They lent more than expected and had to withdraw to catch their breath. By 1984 they had adopted a more systematic approach. They had also noticed that home loans produced all sorts of profitable spin-off businesses, such as life and property insurance, and helped to consolidate their hold over their clients. "It was an important step to providing a full range of financial services to our customers," says Peter Seymour of National Westminster, the largest mortgage lender among the banks.

Foreign banks, notably from Japan, France and West Germany, have also been attracted by the high returns. Lacking a retail branch network they have elbowed in through syndicated loans arranged by institutions such as the Bank of Scotland, which

then lends money to home-buyers. Even more noticeable are US and Canadian lenders such as Citibank, Chemical Bank, Salomon Brothers and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. Their motives are mixed. High returns are again the main incentive, but Citibank is also keen to establish a retail banking presence in Britain and sees mortgages as one way in. Whether this bonanza will last forever is another question. The fierce competition over the past year has already cut down significantly the amount of profit which lenders can make on the business. Mark Boleat, deputy secretary general of the BSA, says: "Profits have already sunk as low as they can go without lenders actually losing money on mortgage business."

The effect of this could be to reverse the influx of new lenders. "If interest rates continue to fall, making it even harder to make profits, many lenders will withdraw", says John Bayliss, the general manager of Abbey National. Lower profits are unlikely to deter the clearing banks, though. Mortgages have become an integral part of their ordinary business and to pull out of the market would be a blow to their customer relations.

In the meantime, is this orgy of lending turning us into a nation of bankrupts? The British have always been more conscientious than most about repaying home loans, but the number of houses repossessed has more than doubled in the past two years - from about 0.12 per cent to 0.25 per cent of all home loans. Last year 17,000 families and individuals lost their homes. The number of repayments in arrears also doubled. "We are worried that people are being encouraged to buy without being told about the full costs", says Betty Thomas, chief research officer for the National Consumer Council. "The problem is compounded by home-ownership being pushed down the economic scale, helped by the existence of special offers. It is often council house buyers who are worst affected."

Richard Thomson  
Banking Correspondent

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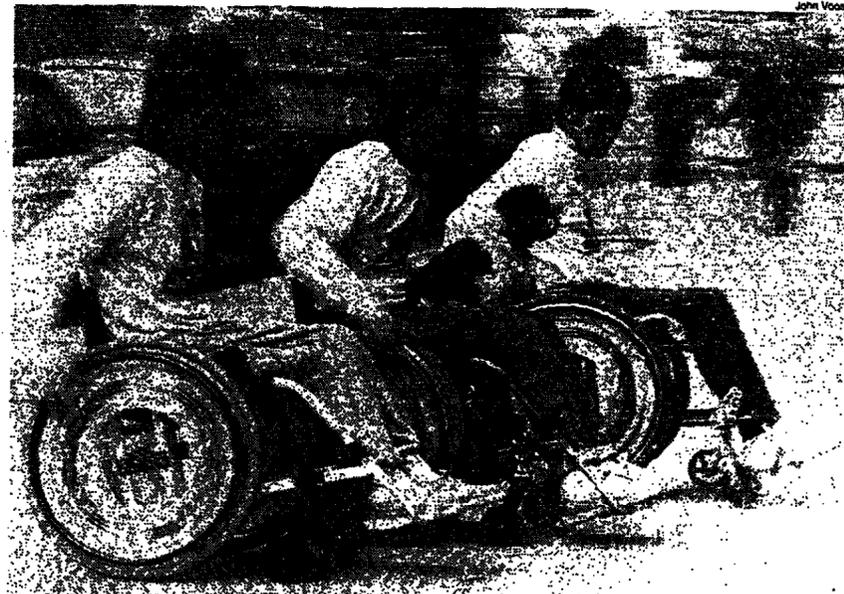
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Three young men will venture out in wheelchairs next week on a journey from John o'Groats to Land's End. They will raise funds for research that may allow them one day to walk again. Libby Purves reports

# Raising hopes for the big push

When you are dealing with paraplegics or quadriplegics the one possibility you never mention is that they might walk again. You talk of better wheelchairs and specially adapted cars, and a high proportion of them are young, sporting and motor accidents, have increased the numbers of spinal cord injuries in the world. Victims come to terms, sometimes magnificently, with what has happened; but they are not encouraged to hope.

are in that wheelchair for life, and must learn to live with it. Nobody, so far, can mend the living spine. People who are otherwise perfectly healthy have to sit in wheelchairs all their lives, and a high proportion of them are young, sporting and motor accidents, have increased the numbers of spinal cord injuries in the world. Victims come to terms, sometimes magnificently, with what has happened; but they are not encouraged to hope.



Defiant dare: (from left) Danny Aykroyd, Simon Barnes with Dylan the dog, and Andy Haynes ready for a seven-week trip

take seven weeks, and wear out a dozen wheels. They have ultra-light sports chairs which will top 30mph downhill, and tough track models for mountains and rough roads. They plan to cover up to 36 miles a day, with only one day off a week.

suppose it may be safer to walk. It is a wonderful piece of bravado: a young man's defiant dare. Simon is 22, a commodity broker, an ex-Territorial soldier, an ex-Territorial Red Beret parachutist who fell on an obstacle course. Andy Haynes is 21, a building labourer who had a motorcycle accident. Danny Aykroyd is 23, a top-grade gymnast. When a tyre blew out on his car, he emerged from the crash unmarked but with a spinal lesion. John Hick, who is masterminding this "Great British Push", is 30, another car victim; he was a British Army officer.

## A THOUSAND MILES IN A WHEELCHAIR

Day	From	To	Daily miles	Total miles
MAY 14	John o'Groats	Latheron	35	35
15	Latheron	Helmsdale	20	55
16	Helmsdale	Golspie	17	72
17	Golspie	Arday	27	99
18	Arday	Ainass	25	125
19	Ainass	Inverness	17	142
20	Inverness	Aviemore	32	174
21	Aviemore	Delnawattie	28	202
22	Delnawattie	Pitlochry	41	243
23	Pitlochry	Perth	27	270
24	Perth	Kinross	18	288
25	Kinross	Edinburgh	27	315
26	Edinburgh	Galaehale	37	352
27	Galaehale	Mossburn Inn	30	382
28	Mossburn Inn	Carlisle	31	413
29	Carlisle	Shap	29	442
30	Shap	Lancaster	31	473
JUNE 1	Lancaster	Blackpool	27	499
2	Blackpool	Southport	36	534
3	Southport	Liverpool	22	556
4	Liverpool	Wrexham	35	591
5	Wrexham	Oswestry	15	606
6	Oswestry	Shrewsbury	19	625
7	Shrewsbury	West Bromwich	36	661
8	West Bromwich	Worcester	20	681
9	Worcester	Malvern	10	691
10	Malvern	Cheltenham	27	718
11	Cheltenham	Oxford	40	758
12	Oxford	Newbury	32	790
13	Newbury	Salisbury	38	828
14	Salisbury	Bournemouth	28	854
15	Bournemouth	Weymouth	35	889
16	Weymouth	Bridport	20	909
17	Bridport	Exeter	45	954
18	Exeter	Torquay	25	979
19	Torquay	Plymouth	38	1013
20	Plymouth	Liskeard	20	1033
21	Liskeard	Bodmin	13	1046
22	Bodmin	Summarcourt	15	1061
23	Summarcourt	Redruth	15	1076
24	Redruth	Land's End	27	1103



They intend to make the return journey on foot. As for the eventual treatment, the closest parallel is skin-grafting: cells are taken from one part of the patient's body, grown (and in this case altered by genetic engineering), and replaced to help another part.

# Healthier care on the cards

## MEDICAL BRIEFING

Some patients in South Wales are to carry special "credit cards". Three thousand people who attend the doctor's surgery at Rhydyfelin, near Pontypridd, are to take part in a Department of Health funded study of personal computerized records as a means of improving patient care.

the link between smoking and bowel disease is backed by other evidence and must now be considered established. He is more cautious about the link with the Pill but says (presumably because of the Pill's known vascular effects) it could suggest that Crohn's disease is caused by a vascular problem.

## Pillow talk

Insomniacs who resort to sleeping pills might find relief if they cut down on caffeine. Most commonly found in coffee and tea, it also lurks in chocolate, soft drinks and painkillers. Sleep will not be disturbed if caffeine intake is restricted to the equivalent of three instant cups of coffee after lunch — and none after 7pm.

At the surgery, doctors will use the card to print prescriptions and to check what drugs the patient is taking. At the pharmacy the card will be used to check for possible adverse drug interactions, to add information on drugs dispensed and to print labels.

## Smoker's chances

Smokers may run a decreased risk of getting ulcerative colitis but they are more likely than non-smokers to develop Crohn's disease, another form of inflammatory bowel disease, according to a major study that has just been published. It also provides evidence, though not conclusive, that there may be an association between the contraceptive pill and bowel disease.

## Smoker's chances

For the record, one cup of instant coffee contains between 60 and 100mg of caffeine; filtered or percolated coffee has 150mg, while decaffeinated contains just 2-3mg. A cup of tea will give you 40-60mg and hot chocolate or a small bar of chocolate contains 25mg. Painkillers, tonics and some cold preparations contain between 30-50mg.

## All in the bag

Anyone who has shopped in an American supermarket will probably have cursed the way that they pile groceries into strong brown paper bags without handles, so that goods have to be clutched to the chest instead of carried in plastic bags that can be held three or four at a time.

The association carried out a simple experiment to find out the effect of the two systems on a group of 24 volunteers carrying shopping weighing a typical 5kg. The British way caused greater muscular strain, although some of the group managed to minimize the stress on their lower backs by tensing their abdominal muscles.

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# The old girls' network

Businesswomen in the US have found their own way of making contacts

Lunch hour in Boston, Massachusetts, and the skyscrapers disgorge their load of office workers into the midday sun. Picking their way across dockland debris in their designer shoes, a group of sleekly dressed women home in on a mock-up railway carriage marked Victoria Station: Purveyor of Prime Rib and Potable Spirits. Inside, they dive into the coily-named ladies' waiting room to touch up their image and sales pitch before signing up for a business lunch with a difference: quiche or chicken teriyaki and coffee, with not a gateau or potable spirit in sight. The emphasis is firmly on the business — a strictly-regimented hour and a quarter of it.

This is the weekly meeting of the Leads Club for Successful Oriented People, one of a growing number of exclusive clubs designed to help women make their own connections in a man's world. "Networking" is the name of the game — old girls' networks, that is.

Barbara Brown, importer of sculptured radiators and co-ordinator of the Leads Club Boston Chapter, takes her place at the head of the table on the stroke of noon. Introductions are made and each of the dozen or so members and their guests gives a 30-second self-promotion. Then it is down to the weekly "lead exchange", a ritual shuffling of pieces of paper bearing names and telephone numbers. Every week, each member is supposed to bring at least two

exclusive rights in their field, and an average increase in business of some 16 per cent.

Ali Lassen, who founded the first Leads Club in Orange County, California, in 1978 sees it simply as a cost-effective form of advertising.

"They know that they spend one hour 15 minutes each week as an investment", she says. "We figure that each person has a lead potential value of 250 leads. With a full chapter that's 7,500 leads — and that's, just first generation."

Back at Victoria Station, members are divided on the benefits. A lawyer specializing in pre-nuptial agreements says her firm is getting increasingly unwilling to pay up each week without some more tangible result. Others — including an insurance agent who claims to have netted \$1,000-worth of business — are happier.

In fact, men themselves are now casting glances at the women's networks as an alternative to the squash-club board meeting and the bar-room business deal. Ali Lassen is developing men-only Contact Clubs — at their own request.

**Sally Dugan**  
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# PRIDE AND PRIVILEGE

"We hold ourselves responsible not to Lord Derby or the House of Lords, but to the people of England, for the accuracy and fitness of that which we think proper to publish. Whatever we consider to be injurious to the public interest, it is our duty to withhold; but we ourselves and the public at large are quite as good judges on that point as the leader of the Opposition..." So ran a subsequently much-quoted *Times* leader from the middle of the nineteenth century. It remains the basis of our journalistic ideals.

"According to the undoubted privileges of this House, and for the due protection of the public interest, the Evidence taken by any Select Committee of this House, and Documents presented to such Committee, and which have not been reported to the House, ought not to be published by any Member of such Committee, or by any person." So ran a rather less often quoted resolution of the House of Commons from a few years earlier. It remains the basis of the decision of the Committee of Privileges yesterday that *The Times* be restricted in its access to the House and that a named journalist be suspended from the parliamentary lobby for six months in punishment for publishing a draft report of a Select Committee last December.

At some time in the near future the whole House will have to vote on which of these two venerable precepts can make the greatest contribution to good government in Britain in the last quarter of the twentieth century. Is it the freedom of journalists to publish facts in the public interest that have been legally obtained in the course of their normal professional life or is it the right of the House to exact exemplary punishment on a newspaper, a part of whose business has been to work hard with the Select Committees to expose the poor workings of the British administrative machine. If the House is wise, it will reject yesterday's advice from its Privileges Committee whose report mingles affronted pride with calculated unfairness in a way that will damage an important experiment in parliamentary scrutiny far more than it can ever lessen the determination of *The Times* to publish what will

best inform its readers.

There will always be friction between a free press and institutions which want to control or censor the flow of news. There is constant tension between the press and the executive branch of government in Whitehall. As the Westland affair showed so clearly, there is similar tension between the Select Committees and the Civil Service machine. In trying to prise information from the executive press and the House of Commons ought to be allies.

The advent in 1979 of a new generation of investigating committees was widely welcomed, not least by newspapermen which saw in them friends and accomplices. *The Times* appointed a reporter to give special full-time coverage to the new committees. As a result of that editorial decision, it has published a much greater number of stories than its competitors concerning their work. Amongst them have been a number of "leaks" of Select Committee deliberations and reports. It is the publication of these — culminating in the revelation last December of the Environment Committee's anxieties about the safety of the nuclear industry — that is now said to constitute the "serious contempt of the House" for which we are to be punished.

Amongst the stated reasons for the Privilege Committee's decision are the alleged impact that the leak had upon the subsequent deliberations of the Environment Committee, on the way that party political considerations "which we had so far avoided" began to creep in after the *Times* report had been published.

MPs in Select Committees are supposed to behave in a more inquisitorial and less overtly political manner than they do on the floor of the House. Under cover of Committee room darkness some indeed succeed in putting facts and fairness before politics and party. Others use the darkness for the more devious tricks that characterise politicians the world over. Leaks rarely occur unless someone sees an advantage in leaking. A journalist cannot give up his professional opportunity and duty to inform just because the source of the information comes from within or around a Select Committee.

And as for the Committee

member who is a genuine and diligent seeker after truth, is he really to be deflected from his aim by the occasional shaft of daylight upon his deliberations? And if he is so easily deflected, is he in the right job? The fact that the subject of the report in question was nuclear safety is merely an added irony in the aftermath of Chernobyl. The Committees were created to counter the growing power of Whitehall. They have got to know their enemy too well. They have taken on his ways.

If Committee deliberations satisfy criteria of public interest, what they do deserves reporting, and no attempt to censor information about them will deter the able reporter. Unless the reporter's editor considers the information unsuitable for publication (on grounds of his own perception of commercial confidentiality, national security or whatever) no attempt to censor it will succeed. What yesterday's adjudication against *The Times* showed, sadly, was how little MPs seemed to grasp that point.

It is not for reporters or their editors to weigh up niceties of confidentiality or fair dealings in Committee rooms: those are private tasks for Committee chairmen and their members. Provided information is got cleanly, without bribery or subterfuge, it should be open to publicity. To punish a newspaper or a reporter for that is either to mistake the nature of the press or, worse, to make an individual or his newspaper the scapegoat for an institutional breakdown, for the fact that Parliament still dwells in a nineteenth century procedural world, strong on privileges, weak on performance.

It is argued that, by convention, the lobby reporter is a "guest" of Parliament. That is indeed so. But it is a convention that has worn thin. Journalists are in Parliament within a 200 year old tradition of reporting the activities of the legislature to the people. They work in corridors and behind closed doors. Their behaviour as "guests" is not that of guests at a Sunday lunch party.

A suspicion lingers that the Committee of Privileges, like the watchdogs of many an embarrassed institution, has lashed out in anger. Fortunately there is still time for the full House to take a calmer view.

# Relaxing curb on dog owners

From Mr David Green  
Sir, The Government is to discontinue the imposition of the dog licence. Its reason for so doing is understandable in that it is extremely uneconomic to collect and subject to large scale evasion.

The obvious answer seems to be to increase the licence fee to a realistic level to cater for the cost of administration and public cleaning and to minimise evasion by the obligatory display of a prominent licence disc on the dog's collar in a similar fashion to the vehicle road fund licence.

Naturally, such requirements should be demanded of special categories of people such as the blind, OAPs etc, but stray or unlicensed dogs could be dealt with by the financial resources available.

Yours faithfully,  
DAVID GREEN,  
60 Windmill Road,  
Hampton Hill, Middlessex,  
May 6.

From Mr Tony Peterkin  
Sir, In general terms I am opposed to increases in legislative restrictions on the individual, but I am most concerned by reports that the Government intends to abolish the dog licence.

I am disabled and operate from a wheelchair. But when I go out alone I use a special, hand-operated go-kart. One I greatly enjoyed the freedom and independence which this gave me, but over the years my life has been made a misery by the dogs which roam the streets free and unsupervised. Indeed, in a civilised society, it is disgraceful that I, or anyone else, should run a risk of encountering loose, snarling dogs when going about our lawful business in public places.

To make matters worse, the police tell me there is little they can do unless I actually get bitten — and even then, a) the wound must "puncture the flesh", and b) it is up to the victim to prove that the dog in question had "biten or attempted to bite someone else previously".  
Yours sincerely,  
TONY PETERKIN,  
129 Manor Road,  
Barton-le-Cley, Bedfordshire,  
May 5.

From Mrs Carole Ryley  
Sir, As an avid dog lover I was very disappointed at the scrapping of the dog licence. I cannot see the reasoning for this. At present there are far too many dogs roaming the streets and worthwhile causes (such as the RSPCA and Canine Defence League) are left to clear up the abused, discarded and unwanted dogs.

Could not some form of licence be given to breeders of pedigree dogs and all other dogs (male or female) be neutered or spayed? This would be one way of keeping the dog population down. If things stay as they are we will be inundated with unwanted puppies, ill-treated bitches in pups, not to mention the unfortunate dog who grows too big and is abandoned.  
Yours faithfully,  
CAROLE RYLEY,  
16 Moxon Close,  
Plaistow, E13,  
May 6.

# Education challenge

From the Editor of *The Times Educational Supplement*  
Sir, In attacking the IEA and the dangers of political indoctrination in school Roger Scruton (May 6) chose to attribute all his pet hates to "the para-educational establishment" — a fragment of his imagination which managed to take in local government, the colleges of education and *The Times Educational Supplement*.

Having set up his target, he then smeared all concerned with "trendy opinions" and blamed them for every current ill from the decline of the classics, reductions in A-level German and Russian teaching, the spread of sociology, political indoctrination masquerading as peace studies, and development studies, to London's anti-racist and anti-sexist programmes.

Fortunately, *The TES* is on sale each week and anyone who is tempted to believe it supports the views Dr Scruton hates can see from themselves what rubbish this is. His rhetoric does, however, contain a grain of truth. Political indoctrination is wholly repugnant, under the guise of peace studies or anything else, and anyone who has evidence to back up allegations of scandal should produce it.  
Yours faithfully,  
STUART MACLURE, Editor,  
*The Times Educational Supplement*,  
Priory House,  
St John's Lane, EC1.

# Manny for all seasons

From the Director General of *Help the Aged*  
Sir, In the *Mermaid Theatre*, back in September, as Lord Shinwell was launching our Lifetime scheme for isolated, elderly people, he bent to speak to a deaf 90-year-old lady, seated in the front row, "Manny", she exclaimed in surprise, "are you still alive?"

Alas, no longer, but Lord Shinwell will remain for us, and all who care for old people, the very model of zest, optimism and involvement in life that should be the true inheritance of age.

In his later years he worked hard with us to help the aged. We shall miss him sorely.  
JOHN MAYO, Director General,  
*Help the Aged*,  
St James's Walk, EC1,  
May 8.

# Wrangle over a mansion for art

From the Secretary of *Save Britain's Heritage*  
Sir, Mr Fred Koch's aims in proposing to turn St John's Lodge, Regent's Park into a study centre for the art of the 19th century (report, May 7) are praiseworthy. Though, in contrast to the Soane Museum, the house would be only rarely open to the public, it would provide London with an important new amenity. The question is whether this is fair recompense for the loss of the Victorian interiors and particularly those created during the occupation of the house by the third Marquess of Bute.

What seems extraordinary is that Mr Koch's architects have failed, or refused, to see the value of these interiors and their relevance to their client's intentions. Lord Bute was a patron on a scale to which Mr Koch himself aspires. His rooms, fully restored, would provide the perfect setting for the Koch collection.

Your report is somewhat misleading in suggesting that objects in the present proposals are concerned only about minor details. You suggest that Bedford College did "unspeakable things" to the house. Bedford College was guilty of the usual alterations which institutions make to fine buildings but, to its credit, it kept St John's Lodge essentially intact. It would seem ironic if the house were now ruined by a combination of philanthropic intentions and architectural ineptitude.

Surely Koch's own refined artistic taste should enable him to see the value of what is at risk and to instruct his agents to modify their proposals.  
Yours sincerely,  
KEN POWELL,  
Save Britain's Heritage,  
68 Battersea High Street, SW11,  
May 7.

From Mr Julian Hartnoll  
Sir, Your correspondent's report (May 7) of the dispute concerning St John's Lodge and its proposed use by Mr Frederick Koch as a centre for the study of Victorian art quotes Mr Gavin Stamp's doubts about the quality and extent of the collection.  
Having acted for Mr Koch on

several occasions, I know the collection well. It is a scholarly collection concerned with many aspects of the nineteenth century, including literature, theatre and architecture; it is not confined to English art, nor only to major works.

The nineteenth century abounds with unfashionable artists who occasionally produced minor masterpieces and the collection is full of these discoveries. Book illustrations by English, American and French artists, together with the books for which they were intended, are a major feature. Artists' letters, diaries and notebooks are all now part of the collecting policy and requests are being received weekly for access to this material. A further feature of the collection relates to architects' drawings.

This is not a group of flamboyant pictures bought at high prices but rather the kind of collection an enlightened curator with substantial funds could have established. The buying programme continues. As the majority of the works have been acquired outside this country the suggestion that a refusal of the plans for St John's Lodge would provoke a mass application for export licences overwhelming the funds of British museums is false; so, too, is the belief that the late Lord Clark's Turner is part of the collection.

Westminster Council and English Heritage are not facing a rich man who wants to get his own way with threats of export and plans to "gut" the building. They are being asked to let Schultz's cloakroom be moved, accept the funds needed to carry out urgent repairs and allow some adaptations to the building.

An enlightened decision is required. In return, London will have a major collection which reverses the flow of art across the Atlantic and which will be of lasting benefit to scholars and art lovers. This is not "crude bluff and blackmail" but a unique opportunity.  
Yours faithfully,  
JULIAN HARTNOLL,  
14 Mason's Yard,  
Duke Street,  
St James's, SW1,  
May 7.

# Learning lessons of Chernobyl

From Dr R. Russell Jones  
Sir, The conflicting statements issued by Government ministers on the likely health effects of the Chernobyl disaster reveal a basic misunderstanding about the effects of ionising radiation at low levels of exposure. The realisation that there is no threshold below which radiation is harmless has been a fundamental tenet of radiobiology for the past 30 years. The International Commission for Radiological Protection (ICRP) accept this, as do the National Radiological Protection Board in this country.

The levels recommended by the ICRP are not safety levels: they are action levels above which the risk to the public is deemed unacceptable. There is, of course, considerable debate as to whether these levels are set too high. For example, the permissible public exposure limits around nuclear facilities in the UK are 20 times higher than those which are allowed in Germany, Japan or the USA.

Nevertheless the statements made by Kenneth Baker and Michael Jopling demonstrate clearly that they do not understand even the basic principles upon which these recommendations are made. Many readers may find that observation even more disturbing than the accident itself.  
Yours faithfully,  
ROBIN RUSSELL JONES  
(Chairman, Friends of the Earth Pollution Advisory Committee),  
University of London,  
Royal Postgraduate Medical School,  
HammerSmith Hospital,  
Duane Road, W12.

# Proms at the Garden

From Mr E. J. Dennis-Browne  
Sir, What a splendid event is the week of Midland Bank opera proms at the Royal Opera House. After visits to performances there over the last thirty years, and having heard opera at most of the major opera houses around the world, I have no doubt in saying that at £3 this must be the musical bargain of the year — anywhere!  
I heard Tuesday's *Tales of Hoffmann*, my first prom, sitting on the floor at the rear of the stalls area and the sound of the orchestra under Charles Dutoit that evening was of extraordinary clarity and warmth. Could it be that

the removal of the stalls seats helped to improve the acoustics, in which case there seems to be only one answer!

All thanks, therefore, to the Midland Bank's initiative and generosity. Much though I deplore Covent Garden's stall prices at £40 for music-making and "theatre" of this calibre I for one shall happily contribute the "discount" of £37 arising from the bank's subsidy to the Musicians' Benevolent Fund.

Yours faithfully,  
BERNARD J. DENNIS-BROWNE,  
Rokeby, Winterbourne Grove,  
Weybridge, Surrey,  
May 1.

# GCSE standards

From the Secretary to the Joint Matriculation Board  
Sir, It is a pity that in her admirable summary of the new GCSE examination ("Countdown to a classroom revolution", April 25) Lucy Hodges repeats an ill-founded myth cherished by educational journalists.

A glance at the published results of any GCE board will show that in present examinations candidates are not in practice "allocated grades according to predetermined proportions", as stated in the article, or that "about 10 per cent are awarded a grade A, 20 per cent a grade B and so on, and a certain proportion have to fail".

To show how far practice departs from what were never more than broad guidelines on standards, may I quote the Joint Matriculation Board O-level percentage awards in two subjects in 1985:

Chemistry	Grade A	Grade B	Unclassified
	15.8	24.8	15.1
Woodwork	Grade A	Grade B	Unclassified
	4.4	17.2	17.6

Lucy Hodges is correct in saying that in present examinations candidates are to a large extent ranked against each other, but the boards are very careful to ensure that the grades represent constant standards of performance. Variations between subjects reflect different standards of performance by those who take them.

The important shift of emphasis in the GCSE will be the attempt to define the levels of attainment clearly and to provide candidates of differing ability with the opportunity to demonstrate positive achievement, whatever their grade.  
Yours faithfully,  
COLIN VICKERMAN, Secretary,  
Joint Matriculation Board,  
Manchester M15 6EU,  
April 28.

# ON THIS DAY

MAY 9 1850  
From 1823 art exhibitions were noticed in *The Times*. In the second half of the 19th century the Royal Academy's annual exhibition was often accorded two, sometimes three, or even four notices. The article below was by Samuel Phillips, art critic of *The Times*, 1845-54.

# THE EXHIBITION OF THE ROYAL ACADEMY. THIRD NOTICE

... In England more especially the tendency and the gifts of our leading painters, encouraged by the taste of the public, have conduced to exuberance of colour and boldness of effect; and the efforts which now remain, founded expressly on the principles of the "Lucas schools, have the merit of novelty, careful study, and a desire to raise the character of the English school for purity and correctness. Mr. Eastlake has undoubtedly contributed by the spirit of his productions and the extent of his acquisitions in the scientific and historical branches of his profession, to give this direction to the taste of one class of connoisseurs and artists in the present day. His own works are not free from the defects incidental to such a mode of treatment. In "The Good Samaritan," which we have already adverted (and which has been purchased by Prince Albert since the private view), the colouring of the principal figure leaves much to be desired; the flesh tints are idealized to a monotony of carnation; the shadows, instead of being thrown in with the effect of masses, are stripped with infinite minuteness; and the general effect has an extreme mildness, which may brighten the pathetic character of the subject at the expense of its reality and force...

Perhaps it is in this picture that we may most fitly advert to the work of Mr. Poole. "The Messenger announcing to Job the irruption of the Sabaeans" (389), but it leads us from the purer regions in which we have just been treading to a coarser and unnatural style in which we can entertain little sympathy. The scene depicted is the same to which Blake's powerful drawing first gave shape and terror. "I alone am escaped to tell thee" is the cry of the messenger who reaches the tent of the Patriarch—everything else is lost. A lurid and disastrous glare pervades the tent, and falls slanting on the melancholy group—but the effects of shade and colour are violent and the expression of physiognomy in the chief actors comparatively ineffective. "Solomon Eagle" was a more forcible composition—"The Inventory of the Convent" a purer piece of colour. Mr. Poole has an evident propensity to the fantastic treatment of his subjects, but we entreat him to sober down his great powers to daylight and reality.

The same remonstrance may be addressed with greater force to Mr. Millais and his imitators, who are attempting to engrain themselves on the wildest and most uncouth productions of the early German school with a marked affectation of indifference to everything we are accustomed to seek and to admire. Mr. Millais's principal picture (518) is, to speak plainly, revolting. The attempt to associate the Holy Family with the meanest details of a carpenter's shop, with no conceivable omission of misery, of dirt, and even disease, all finished with the same loathsome minuteness, is disgusting; and with a surprising power of imitation this picture serves to show how far mere imagination may fall short by dryness and conceit of all dignity and truth. The picture of Ariel and Ferdinand (504), by the same artist, is less offensive in point of subject and feeling, but scarcely more pardonable in style. We do not want to see Ariel and the spirits of the Enchanted Isle in the attitudes and shapes of green goblins, or the gallant Ferdinand twisted like a posture-master by Albert Durer. These are mere caprices of genius; but whilst we condemn them as deplorable examples of perverted taste, we are not insensible to the power they indicate over some of the most curious spells of art. Mr. Hunt's picture of "The Fugitive Druids" (568) has a good deal of originality in its conception and careful handling in some of the figures, but it sins by the same intolerable pedantry...

# Mailed fist

From Mr Jeffrey Bates  
Sir, Contemplating the picture in your columns today of the new stamps commemorating Domesday Book I wonder if we should draw any particular conclusion from the fact that the 31p stamp, which will mainly be used on letters to America, shows a martial figure leading his troops we know not where. The 17p stamp, for home consumption, depicts peasant life.  
Yours faithfully,  
JEFFREY BATES,  
29 Brookfield Road,  
Headingley, West Yorkshire,  
May 1.

# A spring bouquet

From Sir John Curtis  
Sir, May 1, through the columns of your newspaper, offer my thanks and congratulations to the Royal Parks Superintendent and all his team of gardeners for the magnificent display we have been treated to this spring.  
Perhaps it is because of the unpleasantly long winter we have suffered this year, but the spring flowers seem more abundant and more glorious than ever before.  
Thank you all very much.  
Yours faithfully,  
J. B. CURTISS,  
21 Carlisle Mansions,  
Carlisle Place, SW1,  
May 2.

# COURT AND SOCIAL

## COURT CIRCULAR

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE**  
May 8: The Queen arrived at Stoken-Trent Station in the Royal Train this morning and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Staffordshire (Sir Arthur Bryan) and the Chairman of Staffordshire County Council (Councillor F. A. Colerston) and the Lord Mayor of the City of Stoke-on-Trent (Councillor J.P. Birkin).  
The Queen drove to the National Garden Festival at Stoke-on-Trent and was received by the Secretary of State for the Environment (the Right Hon. Kenneth Baker, MP) and the Chairman of National Garden Festival '86 Ltd. (Councillor R. Southern).  
Her Majesty declared the National Garden Festival open and afterwards walked through the labyrinth gardens, visited the South Cable Car Station, the Erris Pavilion and viewed the formal gardens.  
The Queen then attended a Reception in the Greenwood Festival Hall and subsequently honoured the Chairman and Board of Directors of NGS '86 (Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire) Ltd. with her presence at luncheon.  
In the afternoon the Queen visited the Greenhouse 2000 complex and then travelled by train to Maypole Hill Station, where Her Majesty viewed the Department of the Environment exhibit.  
The Queen later opened the Beth Johnson Housing Association Sheltered Housing Scheme.  
Her Majesty travelled by British Waterways Board narrow boat along the Caldon Canal and was received upon arrival at the Scheme by the Chairman, Beth Johnson Housing Association (Professor M. Harrison) and the Director (Mr. D. Joy).  
The Queen visited residents' homes and unveiled a commemorative plaque.  
The Marchioness of Aberghenny, Mr Robert Fellowes and Major Hugh Lindsay were in attendance.  
The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the Duke of Edinburgh's Commonwealth Study Conference, left Heathrow Airport, London this evening to visit India, where His Royal Highness will attend the sixth Commonwealth Study Conference in Bombay.  
The Duke of Edinburgh will subsequently visit Australia.  
Brigadier Clive Robertson is in attendance.  
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Chancellor of the University of London, this afternoon visited the London School of Economics, Houghton Street, WC2 (Director, Dr. I. Patel).  
Her Royal Highness was received by the Vice-Chancellor of the University (the Lord Flowers) and the Principal (Mr P. Howell).  
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this evening attended the Annual Dinner of the Chief Constables Club at the Savoy Hotel, London, WC2.  
Her Royal Highness was received by the President of the Club (Mr Charles McLachlan,

**Chief Constable of Nottinghamshire**  
Mrs Richard Carew Pole was in attendance.  
**CLARENCE HOUSE**  
May 8: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, accompanied by The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, was present this evening at a Gala Performance of Ballet given in aid of the Royal Ballet, Covent Garden.  
The Lady Grimthorpe and Sir Alastair Aird were in attendance.  
**KENSINGTON PALACE**  
May 8: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as Patron of the Friends of the Ivesigh Bequest, Kenwood, was present this afternoon at a Reception held at Kenwood House, Hampstead Lane.  
Mrs Robin Benson was in attendance.  
**KENSINGTON PALACE**  
May 8: The Duke of Gloucester was present this afternoon at a Reception given by the Friends of the Ivesigh Bequest, Kenwood at Kenwood House, Hampstead Lane. Later His Royal Highness, as Patron of the Council for Education in Wood, opened their new Headquarters at Seymour Mews House, Seymour Mews, London.  
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.  
The Duchess of Gloucester was present this evening at a Fashion Show in aid of PHAB (Physically Handicapped and Able Bodied) at the May Fair International Hotel, Berkeley Street, London.  
Mrs Euan McCrquodale was in attendance.  
**YORK HOUSE**  
**ST JAMES'S PALACE**  
May 8: The Duke of Kent left Heathrow Airport, London this evening to visit India where His Royal Highness will attend the sixth Commonwealth Study Conference in Bombay.  
Sir Richard Buckley is in attendance.  
The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the Sunshine Coach Scheme of the Variety Club of Great Britain, this evening attended a gala performance of Chess at the Prince Edward Theatre, Old Compton Street, London W1.  
Miss Sarah Partridge was in attendance.  
**THATCHED HOUSE LODGE**  
May 8: Princess Alexandra, President, this afternoon attended the 21st Annual General Court of the Royal Humane Society and presented the 1985 Stanhope Gold Medal to Mr David M. Garner at Haberdashers' Hall, London EC4.  
Miss Mona Mitchell was in attendance.  
Her Royal Highness, Patron of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, later received the Earls of Lanesborough upon retiring as President of the Association.  
The Independent Broadcasting Authority was represented at the memorial service for Sir Huw Wheldon held in Westminster Abbey on Wednesday by Mr John Whitney, Director General, Mr John Thompson, Director of Radio, and Mr David Glenross, Director of Television.

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr W. Kay and Miss H.J. Hawkins**  
The engagement is announced between William, second son of the late Mr W. Kay, and Miss H.J. Hawkins, of Worcester, Worcestershire, and Helena, youngest daughter of Sir Humphrey and Lady Hawkins, of Dunkeld, Johnesburg.  
**Mr A.C. Beveridge and Miss M.C. Carmichael**  
The engagement is announced between Alexander Craig, son of Mr and Mrs L.A. Beveridge, of Lurbit, Stirlingshire, and Mary Campbell, daughter of the Rev W. and Mrs Carmichael, of Edinburgh.  
**Mr H.V.T. Bland and Miss A.S. Lenthall**  
The engagement is announced between Hugh, youngest son of Mr and Mrs H.V. Bland, of Manor Farm, Foxhill, Wainwright, Wiltshire, and Anna, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.H. Lenthall, of Cullo Hill, Hiltshire, on Down.  
**Mr R.J. Clevely and Miss J.E.T. Greenwell**  
The engagement is announced between Rupert, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Clevely, of Latters Farmhouse, Hildenborough, Kent, and Joanna Beatrice Taswell, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Basil Clevely, of Tanners, River, Petworth, Sussex.  
**Mr L.J. Crawley and Miss F.H. Kirkland**  
The engagement is announced between Laurence James, elder son of Mr and Mrs E.J. Crawley, of 140 Wainwright, and Frances Hilary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Kirkland, of Bodington Hall, Leeds, Yorkshire.  
**M.F.O.R.M. de Hennin de Boussu-Walcourt**  
The engagement is announced between Francois, only son of M and Mme Yvee-H. de Hennin de Boussu-Walcourt, of Brussels, Belgium, and Isabelle, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Pierre Hollenfeldt du Treux, of Kapellenbos, Belgium.  
**Mr M. Deive and Miss S.G. Iles**  
The engagement is announced between Michael, second son of the late Mr Gordon Deive, and Mrs Patricia Iles, of Drowsick, Worcester, and Sandra Gail, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Ronald Iles, of Haywards Heath, Sussex.  
**Mr B.A. Lawrence and Mrs J.M. Joyce**  
The engagement is announced between Brett Anthony, son of Mrs Jeanne Lawrence, of Croyley Green, and the late Mr Brian Lawrence, and Karen, daughter of Mrs Nancy Young and Mr Leonard Young, both of Redditch, Worcestershire.  
**Mr C.J. Moore and Miss M.C. Mason Pearson**  
The engagement is announced between Christopher John, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. Moore, of Henfield, West Sussex, and Marie Gabrielle, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Mason Pearson of Ightham, Kent.  
**Mr A.J. O'Malley and Miss R.M. Willis**  
The engagement is announced between Anthony, eldest son of Mr James O'Malley and the late Mrs Joan O'Malley, of Salford, and Rebecca, only daughter of Mr David Willis of Thessaloniki, and Mrs Gunilla Willis, of Herne Hill, London.  
**Mr G.C. Theobald and Miss E.A. Corse**  
The engagement is announced between Gerald, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Theobald, of Gomshall, Surrey, and Elizabeth Ann, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs George Corse, of Karen, Nairobi, Kenya.  
**Mr N.P. Thompson and Dr A.A.B. Giddins**  
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs Peter Thompson, of Coventry, and Amanda, only daughter of Dr and Mrs Grey Giddins, of Worthing.  
**Mr N.V. Todd and Dr J.E. Howie**  
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.V. Todd, of Lambly, Nottinghamshire, and Dr Mrs J.E. Howie, of Hamilton, Lanarkshire.

## OBITUARY

# LORD SHINWELL

### Veteran of the socialist cause



Lord Shinwell, CH, PC, the elder statesman of the Labour Party who was held in great affection by political foe and friend alike, died yesterday, aged 101.  
An apprenticeship in the tough Clydeside politics of the early years of the century instilled in Shinwell the staunch socialist principles which were to remain with him during more than half a century in both Houses of Parliament.  
He held Cabinet posts under Attlee as Minister of Fuel and Power, a controversial stewardship which resulted in his being moved subsequently to the War Office and the Ministry of Defence.  
But the public will remember him as the politician of fiery temperament and sharp wit who never shrank from speaking his mind. They saw in him both the spirit of individuality and of Labour orthodoxy which the passage of time and an elevation to the peerage did nothing to quench.  
Emanuel "Manny" Shinwell was born in Spitalfields, east London, on October 18, 1884, the son of Samuel Shinwell, an East End clothing manufacturer. He left school at the age of 11 to be apprenticed to the tailoring trade.  
He soon went to Scotland where, as a young man, his interest was caught by Clydeside politics.  
At the same time he read widely, particularly books on English grammar. The subject fascinated him, and he got into the habit of noting unusual words in a little book. Thus he acquired his discriminating taste in English usage.  
When he was only 22 he was elected to the Glasgow Trades Council, of which he was twice president, and five years later took a hand in trade union organization among the seamen in the Clyde ports.  
Here, he learnt revolutionary politics, and on "Red Friday", January 31, 1919, the authorities' panicky handling of a strike led to a clash with the police in the Glasgow streets. For his part in this Shinwell spent several months in jail.  
Seven years as a Glasgow councillor gave him excellent training in a robust school of dialectic, but when he entered the Commons in 1922 as member for Linlithgow he steadily tempered his style to the parliamentary tradition.  
He was defeated in 1924 after a few months as Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Mines, but was returned to the War Office in 1929-30, and then returned to his post at the Mines Department until he lost his seat in 1931.  
Shinwell thought he had been betrayed by his leaders and his sense of injustice, nourished during four years of political exile, flared up in the astonishing onslaught on Ramsay MacDonald at Seaham Harbour in 1935. In one of the most savage elections in modern times, he drove his old chief out of politics.  
Three years later occurred the extraordinary incident when Shinwell, provoked by a remark from Commander Robert Bower, a Conservative member and former naval boxing champion, crossed the floor of the House and struck him in the face. Shinwell then turned on his heels and stalked out of the chamber, muttering angrily to himself:  
During the Second World War, Shinwell, like Lord Winterton, and largely in consort with him ("Arsenic and Old Lace" they were called), took upon himself the role of constructive critic believing the country needed a "win the war" Government. Churchill paid him the compliment of always listening with interest to his speeches.  
It was commonly believed that Shinwell stayed out of the wartime Coalition because he had refused a junior post. Nevertheless, he would certainly have liked the Ministry

of Fuel and Power, and Attlee gave it to him when Labour came to power in 1945.  
Shinwell at once addressed himself to the task of getting the mines fully under State control. The Bill introduced that December was the Government's first measure for the nationalization of a basic industry.  
Hope was high in Labour ranks that the transference of ownership would give a fillip to production, but vesting date, January 1, 1947, found Britain at the point of crisis.  
Although Shinwell had often warned of the possibility of shortages, he had denied emphatically that there would be any dislocation of industry or closing of factories. So when, unexpectedly and perfunctorily, on Friday, February 10, 1947, he told the Commons that much of the nation's industry would have to close because of coal shortages, he encountered a storm of criticism.  
In subsequent debates and questioning he was not convincing and there was some surprise that he remained at his post. He bore the brunt of the charge of having failed to plan ahead, but first the miners, to whom he had given the five-day week, and then the Prime Minister publicly expressed confidence in him.  
Shinwell was moved to the War Office in October of that year and ceased to be a member of the Labour Cabinet.  
He was bitter at what he regarded as enforced removal from an office of which he had been proud, and in which he had hoped to integrate the three power industries, but he soon found himself more at home with the problems of military organization than he had been with those of industry, and he got on well with his Army colleagues.  
He returned to the Cabinet in March, 1950, when he became Minister of Defence. He was soon confronted with the military implications of the Korean situation, mounting tension in Berlin, and terrorism in Malaya, while Russia was busy testing nuclear bombs.  
He was largely responsible for carrying out the "phased defence programme", and did his utmost to modernize the armed forces. For him, the Western Alliance was vital and he was a strong supporter of Nato.  
His views on the issue of the nuclear deterrent underwent a change. He had been one of the "fathers of the British contribution to the deterrent", but in Labour's years of opposition after 1951, he argued for contracting out of it.  
By 1958, he was speaking strongly against the "onward march" of that detestable apparatus, and in 1960 he warned "Gautschi, who had pledged himself to reverse the party conference vote against retention of the nuclear deterrent, that he was endangering the future of the whole party.  
However, Shinwell's political influence within the party waned during these opposition years; he had been unseated from his national executive as early as 1941, and failed to gain re-election in 1952 and 1953.  
In 1955, he left the Shadow Cabinet and moved to the back benches. In the same year, he published his autobiography, *Confessions Without Malice*.  
Shinwell exercised with zest his right as a veteran of the Labour Party... through a remarkably youthful one to keep it up to scratch. He spoke out vigorously against the abandonment of the principle of public ownership.  
When Labour came back to power in 1964, Shinwell was 80, and though ministerial office had dealt kindly with him, and he was still full of enthusiasm for life and politics.  
Elected chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party, this *quodam* rebel of the 1920s proved adept at bridling the new left-wing rebels of the 1960s, and he exercised all his skills in the task of keeping the party on a steady course in support of the Government.  
Though some of the newer members were restive under what they saw as Shinwell's authoritarian handling of party meetings, the majority was content and Shinwell was twice re-elected.  
However, his mesmeric qualities brought him into conflict with ministers and backbenchers in 1967 when he expressed bitter opposition to the Government's decision to apply for membership of the EEC, a stance many thought incompatible with his position as chairman.  
At a party meeting he lost his temper and became headily embroiled with the Foreign Secretary and Leader of the House and on another occasion he differed strongly with the Leader of the House and the Chief Whip on the matter of party discipline which he wished to see enforced more strictly.  
Murmurings against him led eventually to his resignation, and he retired once more to the back benches where he continued to oppose the principle of British membership of the EEC.  
He was made a Life Peer in 1970, and he continued well into his 90s to be a vigorous and outspoken member of the House of Lords, alive to all the main issues of the day.  
For several years he had chaired the influential all-party House of Lords Defence Study Group, but no single action of his caused so much surprise as his resigning the Labour Whip in March, 1982, as a protest against what he saw as left-wing militancy. Though he remained a Labour Party member, he sat thereafter with the Independents in the Lords.  
The *Labour Story* (1963): *I've Lived Through It: All (1973): Lead with the Left and My First Ninety-Six Years* (1981) were further publications based on personal reminiscences.  
Lord Shinwell was three times married; his first wife, Fay, to whom he was married for 52 years, died in 1954; in 1956 he married Dinah Meyer, of Denmark; who died in 1971; and in 1972 he married Mrs Sarah Hurst, who also predeceased him.  
all royal residences in the Metropolitan police district.  
He dealt personally with the case of Michael Fagan, who entered Buckingham Palace on two separate occasions in 1982, being arrested during his second intrusion after waking the Queen in her bedroom.  
Lloyd-Hughes combined boundless energy with outstanding detective work, winning the respect of his colleagues. He was officially commended eleven times.  
He leaves a widow and two children.  
Mr James Guinness to be reappointed chairman of the Public Works Loan Commission; Miss Vera D. Palma, and Mr Peter Brickfield to be reappointed commissioners.  
Mr John Forster, aged 52, a senior county inspector with Hereford and Worcester Education Authority, to be director of the Microelectronics Education Support Unit.  
Legal  
Mr Ralph Hamblin Lowe to be a Circuit Judge on the South-eastern circuit.

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**DEATHS**  
**ALLEN** - Dr. Lydia Ida Huber Torrance, M.H., M.D., M.B.C.L.B., F.R.C.S., F.R.C.P., peacefully at Greenwith Hospital on 6th May 1986. Widow of the late Maj. Arthur Huber, of Colchester. Burial at the late Dr. David Watt Torrance, founder of the Scottish Mission Hospital, 1968. Friends will be received at Sunfield Methodist Church, Barchway Road, Blackheath, SE3, at 3.30 pm, Tuesday, 6th May, followed by interment at Charlton Church, 10.30 am, Wednesday, 6th May. Donations to Save the Children Fund, Memorial Service later. Enquiries and donations to B. Curtis, Funeral Director, Tilton Hill, Leicestershire Tel: Tilton 253.  
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## Birthdays today

Mr Alan Bennett, 52, the Right Rev. C.W.J. Bowyer, 70, Sir David Cuthbertson, 86, the Rev Professor C.W. Dugmore, 77, Mr Albert Finney, 50, Mr Carlo Mirra Giuliani, 72, Mr Franco Bonini, 68, Mr Douglas Guest, 70, Vice-Admiral Sir John Hayes, 73, Miss Glenda Jackson, 50, Sir Francis Kennedy, 60, General Sir Peter Leang, 61, Lord Justice Lloyd, 57, Miss Geraldine Moran, 54, Sir Philip G. O'Connell, 60, David Plastow, 54, Dr Bernard Rose, 70, Mr Patrick Rycraft, 43, Admiral Sir Victor Smith, 73, Lord Stewart, 63, Mrs Barbara Woodhouse, 76.  
**Reception**  
The Duke of Gloucester, Patron of the Council for Education in World Citizenship, was the guest of honour at a reception at the new CEWC headquarters in Seymour House, London, last night. Dr John Rae, chairman, was host.  
**St Anne's School, Windermere**  
Members of the Stannite Association of St Anne's School, Windermere, are reminded that the triennial reunion will take place at school on Saturday, May 17, 1986, commencing at noon.  
**Reed's School**  
As part of Reed's School's five-year development plan, the governors have decided to move the administrative offices from 2-4 Russia Row in the City of London to the school at Cobham from June 1, 1986.  
**Latest wills**  
Mr John Richard Knowles, of College Avenue, Scarborough, farmer, breeder and exhibitor of highland cattle, and a former medium-bus bowler and leading batsman with Scarborough and York Cricket Clubs, left estate valued at £1,056,858 net.  
**University news**  
Liverpool  
Dr Michael Owen Talbot, reader in the department of music, has been appointed to the James and Constance Alsop chair in music.  
Grants  
Welsh Trust: £100,000 to Prof Sir G. Hodgkins for a Wellcome Trust Centre for Social Equity.  
Merton College, Oxford: A return to the University of £100,000 for the purchase of a new building.  
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THE ARTS

Television Lovable unreality

Liverpool seems to have replaced Ireland as the mythical home of lovable rogues who while away their days making whimsical passes at employment.

Time, one of the McGregors did remark in last night's adventure that it was so long since Liverpool people had seen a pound note that they had forgotten what the Queen's face looked like; however, since the introduction of the pound coin, this grip could have equally well referred to poverty or to the new money.

The idea that family concerns all also lies behind The Brothers McGregors which concerns the two grown-up sons of a Liverpool mother — one half-cast and one white — who run a decrepit car business.

Both series are shot on location, and make much of characteristic Liverpool streets down empty streets of back-to-back cottages, which end abruptly at a misty void, behind which a high-rise development looms.

Celia Brayfield

Theatre Devotion in drag

La Cage aux folles Palladium

Indulging in the pleasure of hindsight, I suspect that one reason for the huge Broadway success of Harvey Fierstein's and Jerry Herman's musical is that it domesticated homosexuality to the state of orthodox family life, and that as an adaptation from the French (that trusted old Anglo-Saxon safety-valve) it was all happening a long way off.

The show has given thousands of people a good night out and must (Aids notwithstanding) have done something to erode sexual prejudice. Any production that does that is at least earning its keep. But, moved away from the gay bars and bath-houses of Times Square and a good deal closer to its Riviera setting, the piece does disclose some yawning cracks that were less visible on its home ground.

Arthur Laurents, its director, was speaking no more than the truth when he described it as an old-fashioned show. It tells the story of a young man (Jonathan Morris) who is ashamed of his mother, and requires her to quit the premises when his grand prospective in-laws come to call. It happens that his "mother" is a man; but, switch the genders, and we are back up to the neck in the sickest form of Victorian melodrama. Nor are the boy and his fiancée at all redeemed by the writing.

They are there simply to provoke a crisis between their homosexual elders; and, in so far as they project any character at all, it is one of priggish egotism.

If you go along with that, the picture emerges of two devoted partners identical in all respects to ordinary parents except that they happen to be of the same sex. Simultaneously, however, they are presented at work in their St Tropez drag-club attended by hordes of boys in frocks and leotards brandishing whips and letting loose with the can-can. At which point, moral crusading gives way to tourist titillation; with the result that homosexuals are presented on the one hand as affectionate human beings and on the other as a pack of screaming queers.

I admired a good deal of Mr Fierstein's Torch Song Trilogy but it is hard to find anything to admire in his book for this piece. Nor, to complete the catalogue of complaints, does Mr Herman's score rise above family-musical mediocrity. There are a rousing title number in the gypsy vein, a witty invocation of Souza, and a creditably impassioned melody to back up Albin's defiant statement of identity in "I Am What I Am" (a homosexual equivalent of "My Way"). Otherwise it is routine echoes of café squeeze-boxes and night-club gallops.

The power of the show — which is considerable when it

does appear — resides in the big production numbers, and in the central partnership of Denis Quilley and George Hearn. Jointly they do build up, in much truthful detail, the sense of a 20-year marriage, as much on the club stage as in their kitsch-pecked living room; and the sense of betrayal when Georges (Mr Quilley) confesses to his part in the boy's plot is painful and touching.

Beyond that, Mr Quilley acts principally as a vastly accomplished feed for Mr Hearn, playing an aging drag-queen with a marvellous sense of the passage of time and the exhilaration of still holding an audience. His very walk, along the moonlit harbour to the car, tells you all about him: wide-brimmed hat shading his face, poised to the finger-tips and overcome with scrupulous modesty when required to ape the coarseness of masculine behaviour. It is a performance of the utmost relaxation and selection, in which every gesture tells and from which passion, when it does emerge, blows the roof off.

The Capelles chorus-line supply the expected quota of teasing glamour on a breath-takingly lavish scale, for which honours go equally to the choreographer (Scott Salmon) and the costume designer (Theoni V. Aldredge), whose work evokes the lascivious fairy fantasies of Richard Dadd.

Irving Wardle



Truthful marital detail: George Hearn (centre) and Denis Quilley (right) with Jonathan Morris in La Cage aux folles

The Chalk Garden Chichester

Interviewed by John Higgins 15 years ago. Enid Bagnold denied that this, her most regarded play, had become a period piece. Time works many wonders. This "sophisticated comedy" is now 30 years old, and the elements that speak for all ages and conditions have their work cut out transcending those which evoke mid-Fifties gentility: the Indian Army connections of the two principals; the then vogue bemoaning of eroded social ceremony; the complete absence of such mundane intrusions as television or radio; the lighting of a cigarette to suggest worldliness, if not to say turpitude; above all, the stringently grammatical speeches fraught with facile metaphors.

Against all this, the universal theme of thwarted affections and moral redemption emerges from the crucible of a large house in Sussex, where a fairly grand old widow (Goolie Withers) dotes on her spoiled, neurotic teenage granddaughter (Sophie Thompson), does her best to regulate the caprices of her nervous-strung manservant (Richard O'Callaghan) and is in her turn tyrannized by the de-cayed butler (unseen) who makes his existence felt by means of the drawing-room telephone and who is given to monumental sulks.

The grandmother has taken on her daughter's daughter, Laurel, after the latter experienced (or, as we later learn, fantasized) a sexual assault on the eve of her mother's remarriage. The play opens with Miss Withers interviewing applicants for the post of companion to this delinquent

seen to best advantage in the opening scenes which establish a routine and pretty dogged light-comedy portrait of a country house beset by domestic crises, in her later confrontations with her visiting daughter (Deborah Grant) these charms are comprehensively betrayed by the artificiality of the dialogue. Miss Tutin's contribution is dignified and eminently watchable, but her role necessarily falls apart when, precipitated by the visit of an elderly judge (John McCallum) and an unaccustomed glass of wine, she reveals the dread secret of her past.

Martin Cropper

Cinema Penetrating vision of despairing alienation

Vagabonde (15) Renoir, Minema

Love Letters (18) Cannon Tottenham Court Road

Billy the Kid and the Green Baize Vampire (15) Cannon Tottenham Court Road

Agnes Varda is not a prolific director. She has made only seven pictures in the 31 years since La Pointe Courte; and nine years separated her previous feature L'Une chante, l'autre pas and Vagabonde, which carried off the Golden Lion, the International Jury Prize, the International Critics' Prize and the Catholic Jury Award at the 1985 Venice Festival.

female portrait, like Cleo de 5 a 7, Le Bonheur and L'Une chante, l'autre pas, but it has its own contemporary feeling of alienation and despair. It opens with the discovery of the body of a young girl, frozen in a ditch in the wintry south of France. She turns out to have been a runaway and drifter whom many people in the neighbourhood remember having seen around. On the soundtrack Varda's own voice questions what these people who encountered the girl in the last weeks of her life may have felt about her.

Each gives his version, unconcerned, uninvolved. Some, it seems, briefly befriended her, some tried to employ her, some sought to exploit her, some genuinely wanted to help. No one was able to save her. Varda does not accuse, nor is she surprised. Mona (the name the girl gave herself) is a victim of the times, and they are times of personal isolation, when no man feels himself his brother's keeper.



Nothing appealing except her insolent independence: Sandrine Bonnaire's uncompromising portrait of Mona in Vagabonde

nothing appealing about Mona, except her insolent independence. She is guarded and secretive. In a rare communicative moment she says she wanted to escape life as a shorthand typist; otherwise we guess nothing about her background or origins. We see her only as she is: a curious, grubby vagrant who steals and stinks.

whose lives she casually invades. The shaky freedom which is all she possesses in various ways attracts or challenges them. A farm girl, imprisoned in a family group, is jealous; a reformed drop-out enviously reproaches her irresponsibility. A prosperous woman agonist experiences more complex anxieties and guilts as a result of the encounter. These people may be helpless to save her, but her

plight forces them to question their own lives. In shooting, Varda allowed the story to take its own natural course, following Mona's peregrinations around the bleak wintry south, deciding on the action and writing the script day by day, picking up the non-professional actors en route and mixing them with the pre-selected cast. The method has its perils, but they are all overcome to give the tough, documentary texture which makes this Varda's best work to date and one of the most singular films of the period.

Amy Jones is a younger woman director from America. Having produced her debut film, Slumber Party Massacre (a low-budget exploitation picture which opens next week at the ICA), Roger Corman's New World Productions rewarded her with the chance to go straight and serious in Love Letters. The film sometimes wears its art on its sleeve, with a lot of piano and cello and an overall lack of humour, but it is able, intelligent and attractive, with an authority that compensates for the small budget.

Jamie Lee Curtis (revealing talents not evident in her days as the screaming victim of teenage horror pictures) plays a 22-year-old career woman who falls in love with a 40-year-old happily married man (James Keach). Her handling of this ultimately doomed affair is conditioned by letters left by her dead mother, revealing that she too

had a lover but was too timid to take the chance to break out from a disastrous marriage.

Amy Jones's own screenplay deftly intertwines the two motifs — the girl's affair and the memory of her parents' difficulties — gradually drawing them together until the young woman is actually copying out the old letters to send to her lover. The notion is intriguing and never over-stressed. The only evident concessions to New World's commercial priorities are the attractive nude shots of Ms Curtis.

Fans of Pot Black may well derive some special pleasure from Billy the Kid and the Green Baize Vampire; otherwise it is hard to imagine what will be the audience for this good-natured British oddity. Written by Trevor Preston, a veteran of television series films, with music by George Fenton, it is an essay in "rockera" style from Weill to Lloyd Webber.

The story involves a fight-to-the-finish snooker championship between bizarre opponents, a young Londoner with a cowboy fetish (Phil Daniels) and a Yorkshire Dialect (Alan Armstrong). Alan Clarke, who previously directed Scum for the cinema, gives it a style of lurid colour, Expressionist sets, extravagant make-up, fancy angles, stylized performances, distorting lenses and a general repertoire of effects derived from pop promo videos.

David Robinson

Concerts

on the perfectly balanced tempi of its orchestral introduction to develop a performing profile of his own. He took over with characteristic lucidity, but sacrificed evolution by perceptive phrasing to a more static virtuosity of changing timbres. Despite the warmth of Robert Truman's justly-applauded cello solo, this was a merely efficient performance with a vacuum at its heart.

Hilary Finch

Hague PO/ Lombard Barbican

A changeabout of most of the players in the Hague Philharmonic Orchestra between the first and second items of their programme on Wednesday night gave everybody a chance to play themselves in, as well as a breather, before they doubted and tripped up for the ultimate Rite of Spring after the interval. Alain Lombard conducted it warily, as if half-expecting even now that the notes might strike some spontaneous combustion and scorch him.

Would that they had, before being doused by that thumping superfluous final chord that Stravinsky dubiously explains away somewhere by accusing Rachmaninov of putting him up to it. The

Dutch orchestra's performance otherwise had the virtue of instrumental clarity in this or that strand of the texture, even if the strands were not always woven into the most compelling association with each other, or propelled with the sheer force of rhythm that generates the music's enduring strength.

Prokofiev's more modest demands on the orchestra were capably met in framing the alternately poetic and impassioned solo playing of Dmitry Sitkovitsky in the D major Violin Concerto, No. 1. His performance of the central scherzo movement, in particular, imparted that theatrical dimension that is never far from this composer's music, but its fairy-tale quality at the beginning and end of the outer movements was only intermittently evoked in the conductor's episodic approach.

He took Beethoven's Eighth Symphony all too seriously at the start of the programme, before the visitors had fully taken the measure of an unfamiliar hall in terms of balance, especially among the strings. The wind playing had a tangy quality, with the horns and clarinets at opposite ends of a wide tonal spectrum in the third movement trio, but a leaden pulse suffered to construct that movement and the finale.

Noel Goodwin

Jones and Zane Sadler's Wells

Problem: how can a work commissioned and already performed by another company be a preview when given by Bill T. Jones, Arnie Zane and Company at Sadler's Wells this week? It is the programme's finale and the title, How to Walk an Elephant, is the best thing about it. The walking elephant incidentally comes straight out of Balanchine's Bourgeois Gentilhomme and was funnier there.

Fever Swamp, the other group work given, is much livelier: a bouncy, jolly piece using lots of little jumps, falls and recoveries to a cheerful score by Peter Gordon, under imitation palm-trees designed by William Katz. The most enjoyable piece in this programme is Shared Distance, a duet we first saw danced by Jones and Zane themselves a few years back. On Wednesday night the extraordinarily tall Heywood McGriff Jr and fairly small Karen Pearman carried off its virtuosic partnering with cool aplomb. They also caught a lot of the friendly rapport and the air of collusion that give its gymnastic manoeuvres charm and humour. All the same, I feel there is a lack of form and conclusiveness about the choreography. It could be put together in any other order and not suffer at all. Several of the works just stop without ever reaching a definite end.

Yet Jones and Zane are obviously concerned with form; why else would they accompany Jones's new solo, M-A-K-E, with a recorded discussion, terribly earnest, analytical and detailed, about photographs of an avant-garde dance concert at Judson Church, New York, in 1963? Jones's gestures are often interesting, but he seems to dance more with his arms than with the rest of his body, which is limiting. In Black Room, a duet by Zane for Jones and McGriff, the two men move arms and

Dance

bodies into harmonious or counterpointing patterns, at first on opposite sides of the stage, later both of them balanced on a small central pedestal. The poses are striking; the movement is less so. Yoshi Wada's score uses home-made giant pipes electronically treated: an ingeniously laborious way of employing craft and technology to reproduce the drone of bagpipes.

John Percival

Kibbutz Dance Company The Place

Since 1979 the Kibbutz Dance Company must have become our most frequent visitor among dance troupes; this is its fifth London season. Surprising, perhaps, because the company is small, without stars, and has neither the glamour of ballet nor avant-garde originality. Its appeal relies on a middle-of-the-road modern repertoire and the earnest commitment of its dancers. Typically, the programme to be repeated at The Place tonight (there is a free children's show with different works this afternoon) derives from both local and international sources.

The opening work is created by Rami Be'er, a dancer in the company. He is obviously interested in exploring aspects of Israeli culture. An earlier work of his, based on a Hebrew poem, represented the death of a man with his childhood rocking-horse as symbol of his struggle for life. This time he shows Los Atados, based on songs from the Sephardic Ladino tradition, combining Eastern and Spanish influences. The music, collected and composed by Oded Zahavi, is varied in manner. A translation of the words would be helpful, but I am told that they deal with death, prayer and carnal love. Some of the choreography might gain from being less static, but there are lively and

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All the performers can do is to put it across with as much of a show of honesty and energy as possible, and that is exactly what happens at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. It also helps very much that the orchestra and chorus are all young students: a production of studied professionalism would be embarrassing in all the wrong ways. Nevertheless, credit is due to the conductor Justin Brown and the producer Bill Bryden for steering even such ready resources to make the very best of themselves and of the work.

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RSC Mephisto A THRILLING PIECE OF THEATRE... AN EXCITING EVENING

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It was the birthday of Johannes Brahms, and a concert fit for the fitting. Klaus Tennstedt was the man who made it so, with the London Philharmonic at their most eager, bending their backs to be driven as only their principal conductor can drive them.

There was little time, even when Brahms would have perhaps rather liked it, to stand and stare in Wednesday night's Fourth Symphony. Each paired interval, each cross-current of metre in the first movement was tugged, then pressed towards its destination, and the third movement cut its dash with razored chording.

In hands other than Tennstedt's this approach would have seemed unnecessarily irascible. But, while some listeners may have felt a longing for more horizontal space, as it were, Tennstedt provided it vertically by the sheer depth of harmonic resonance set up in each deep-dug chord, and in the brightly-textured ensemble playing.

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Rights issue ruled out as M&S profits jump 20%

By Teresa Poole

Lord Rayner, the chairman of Marks and Spencer, yesterday ruled out the need for a rights issue to finance the company's £1.5 billion four-year expansion plan.

Announcing a 20 per cent improvement in pretax profits to £265.8 million for the year to the end of March, he said: "I think it is overlooked that Marks and Spencer has got a very strong balance sheet. For what we have outlined there is no need for us to go to the market."



Lord Rayner: no plans to join Woolworth battle

Total sales in 1985-86 were up 16 per cent to £3.73 billion, with turnover in the United Kingdom ahead in all divisions.

were up 20 per cent. The company's overall average price inflation was 3 per cent.

Chargard, launched a year ago, now has more than 1.2 million holders and was used to make purchases worth £320 million of which 85 per cent was general merchandise and the rest food.

New holders are still being added at a rate of 10,000 a week and the company estimates that the card increased sales by 2 per cent, or some £65 million.

Losses on the card were just more than £10 million but its operation is expected to move into profit in three years' time. The average purchase made with the card is worth £23.

company will be seeking external finance.

Mr Keith Oates, the finance director, said: "The anticipated levels of debt will be comfortably within our borrowing capacity."

Progress was also made overseas with a strong turnaround at the Marks and Spencer division in Canada where profits of C\$3 million replaced the previous year's C\$1 million losses.

The first M&S out-of-town megastore will open at the Metro Centre, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear, in October, and further edge-of-town stores are planned at Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, South Gyle, Edinburgh, Cambridge and Wilmslow.

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THE POUND

US Dollar 1.5455 (+0.008) W German mark 3.3653 (3.0827) Trade-weighted 76.2 (-0.1)

Evered bid raised

Evered Holdings has raised its hostile bid for the McKechnie engineering group by offering McKechnie shareholders the alternative of taking convertible preference shares.

P-E offer

Hoare Govett, the broker, is bringing P-E International to the market with an offer for sale by tender of 4.4 million shares at a minimum price of 165p.

EuroFerries up

European Ferries Group reported pretax profit of £48.4 million for the year to December 31, 1985, up 9 per cent on 1984.

£269.5m profit

Allied-Lyons made taxable profits in the year to March 1 of £269.5 million against £219 million. The dividend was raised by 27 per cent to 9.5p.

Hambro £33m

Hambro PLC, which owns Hambro Bank, yesterday forecast a pretax operating profit of not less than £33.5 million for the year to March 31 as part of a document sent to shareholders outlining details of its offer for Hambro Trust.

839 covered

Posgate & Denby, the Lloyd's underwriting agency, has obtained errors and omissions cover for syndicate number 839, one of its larger syndicates.

Bigger stake

Walters Samson Group has bought a further 2.17 million Park Place shares, 14.8 per cent of the company, at 333p a share, giving it control of 22.4 per cent. WSG has made an agreed offer for Park Place.

ICI buys

William Sinclair Holdings and Imperial Chemical Industries have agreed in principle for ICI to acquire the Sinclair McGill Agricultural Seed business. The terms are being discussed.

Kuwaiti trim

The Kuwait Investment Office has reduced its shareholding in Hogg Robinson to 3.97 million shares (8.7 per cent).

Oil set for temporary price rise

By David Young Energy Correspondent

World oil prices have started to rise as North Sea oil looks set to pass \$15 a barrel by the weekend in the wake of new support for Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) policies from China and Egypt.

The need to build up stocks in the United States has helped push prices on the US futures market beyond \$15 and heading for \$16, but cautious oil industry analysts suggest the price will drop to \$13 a barrel and remain there until winter buying programmes start.

Prices have firmed because China has said it will leave its oil export policy unchanged and not step up exports to customers who previously bought Opec oil.

Analysts say prices are rising because the 20-day strike in the Norwegian sector of the North Sea - which removed almost a million barrels a day from world production schedules - is being reflected in deliveries to refineries, with traders having to pay more for crude which is available and can be delivered, as opposed to "paper" barrels which are often traded several times.

Berisford bidders both face referral

By Jeremy Warner, Business Correspondent

The Government is about to call a halt to the fast-moving £480 million takeover battle for S&W Berisford, the commodity trading and sugar group, industry sources said yesterday.

Sir Gordon Borrie, Director-General of Fair Trading, is expected to recommend soon that both competing takeover bids for the company should be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission for investigation.

Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, is likely to endorse the recommendation next week.

The decision will cause surprise and confusion in the City, where it had been widely assumed that although the bid by Berisford's sugar rival, Tate & Lyle, would be referred, the competing offer by Hillsdown Holdings would be given the go ahead.

Combining Tate & Lyle with Berisford's British Sugar offshoot would give the group 94 per cent of the UK sugar market. Hillsdown, on the other hand, has no sugar refining interests at the moment.

A reference of both offers would signal a significant shift in Government mergers policy, with the re-emergence of the principle of even-handed treatment of bids in competing takeover situations.

The Government has for several years referred only mergers that would lead to a reduction in competition. On a number of occasions this has left the field clear to rival bidders which do not own

Troubled Inmos may close

By Clare Dobie

Thorn EMI is considering closing down Inmos, the troubled semiconductor company, among a range of other options.

The preferred solution is to bring in a trading partner, but Thorn may sell shareholdings in Inmos to financial institutions or halt its operations entirely.

Progress at Inmos, Britain's largest chip manufacturer, has been disappointing since Thorn acquired 76 per cent of the shares from the Government for £95 million, two years ago.

Inmos was set up in 1978 to put Britain at the forefront of chip technology.

Thorn would like to attract backing for Inmos from a hardware manufacturer, preferably one which would use Inmos's new transistors in its products.

Thorn is prepared to lose control of Inmos on suitable terms, though it would like to retain a substantial interest. If it fails to raise money by bringing in new shareholders, Inmos may have to close down.

Arrogance of Dixons shows lack of confidence, says Woolworth

By Alison Eadie

Terence Beckett, said he had never seen such a good team of young managers in his life as the Woolworth managers. Sir Kenneth was previously chairman of Unilever.

Woolworth, in the defence document, emphasized the achievements of the management since it took over 3½ years ago, and expressed the belief that this management was better placed than any other to maximize the future growth of Woolworth. It claimed that Dixons was not

Standard to seek Tokyo listing

By Richard Thomson Banking Correspondent

Standard Chartered Bank, the international banking group, yesterday announced that it intended to seek a stock exchange listing in Tokyo.

Standard is the subject of a £1.16 billion bid attempt by Lloyds Bank and has said that part of its defence strategy would be to gain listings on stock markets other than London, where the bank believes it is undervalued by investors.

Lord Barber, the chairman, told the annual meeting that the Tokyo listing would demonstrate to shareholders in that region Standard Chartered's commitment to the Far East. However, the listing is seen by the bank as a long-term strategic move since it could take up to six months to achieve. It is being sponsored by Yamaichi Securities and Goldman Sachs, which is also helping with the defence against Lloyds.

Standard is also considering seeking a listing in New York and may apply for separate listings of the main components of the group in their respective local stock markets.

The bank is still awaiting the formal Lloyds offer document which, under takeover rules, must be published by next Tuesday. Standard's shares yesterday continued to fall towards the level of the Lloyds bid, dropping close to 800p. When Lloyds first launched its 750p-a-share offer Standard shares were trading as high as 890p.

The London International Financial Futures Exchange (Liffe), which opened for business in September 1982, traded its 10 millionth contract yesterday.

Oppenheim bids £91m for Aitken

By Richard Lander

Mr Nick Oppenheim, the financier, yesterday launched his takeover bid for Aitken Hume International, the diversified financial services group which has been beset by boardroom rifts and plunging profits.

Pledging to concentrate Aitken's energies in fewer areas, Mr Oppenheim's valuing his target at about £91 million with an all-paper bid from Tranwood Group, the Bear Brand hosiery group where he has been chairman since organizing a £1.5 million capital injection three months ago.

The Aitken board will meet today to consider the approach. Tranwood is offering nine shares for every Aitken, valuing Aitken at 198p a share after Tranwood rose 1½p to 22p yesterday. Aitken closed 16p higher at 174p.

If the bid is fully successful, Aitken shareholders would own 89 per cent of Tranwood.

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Blanket immunity for negligent regulators

The Department of Trade and Industry has made a complete climbdown in the face of intensive City lobbying over the legal liabilities of the new self-regulatory organizations, which are the centrepiece of consumer protection under the Financial Services Bill.

A clearly unhappy Paul Channon, the new Secretary of State, announced yesterday that the SROs would be given virtually blanket immunity against actions for damages. Some leaders of the newer SROs had maintained that they would dissolve themselves if they were not given this concession.

The effect of the decision is to take away the common law right to sue for damages on the grounds of negligence from investors or members of an SRO. Both the organizations and their staff will now be immune from such actions. They can only be challenged if acting in bad faith, while individual members of an SRO remain liable under the common law.

Mr Channon and Michael Howard, the minister chiefly responsible for the Bill, say they have not been bulldozed into reversing the Government's stated policy. Mr Howard's excuse for backtracking was that it was necessary "to get the system to work". It was, in the words of Mr Channon, "a pragmatic decision designed to get the system of SROs off the ground and to get members to serve".

In other words, the Government was successfully bullied in a manner which does not bode well for the future. It shows that, with delays to the Bill and the Stock Exchange big bang looming, the Government may need the SROs more than the City does, which gives the professionals strong bargaining power.

Mr Channon and Mr Howard consider that immunity will bolster investor protection rather than slacken it. They argue that SROs will be more willing to take disciplinary action against their members if they do not have the threat of massive lawsuits in the background.

They argue that the experience of the Stock Exchange, which has successfully operated without immunity so far, is not relevant to the growing internationalization of markets, which brings in overseas institutions, used to a more litigious North American environment.

There is some sense in this, although the precedent of introducing legal immunity for the Council of Lloyd's under the 1982 Act is already generally regretted. That argument does not, however, justify extending immunity to preclude actions brought by members of the public for damages against an SRO. The statutory compensation scheme which will apply to investors will be severely limited, a point which Mr Channon did not appear to have grasped yesterday. It is important that this should be given more substance if

investors are to lose their right to sue the regulators.

To give a blanket immunity of this nature is a very blunt way of solving the problem. Some sort of limited immunity - say limiting actions against an SRO to prevent recovery of more than a certain sum - would have at least not been so fundamental a derogation of the law of negligence.

Mr Howard admitted that "it was not an easy decision". Moreover, it is arguable that the fear of negligence actions is one thing which keeps professions and reputable bodies on their toes. It imposes from within very careful procedures and checks to ensure that affairs are properly carried out. An SRO not facing such discipline would not have such strong incentives to proper internal management. This seems likely to place even more stress on the supervision of the supervisors by the Securities and Investment Board. No wonder many of the more thoughtful City folk are beginning to wonder whether self-regulation was such a good idea after all, given the competitive pressures already emerging.

Sound requirement

Building societies have plenty on their minds. Their main preoccupation - the Building Societies Bill - opens up new areas to explore. At the same time the Financial Services Bill, and the self-regulatory regime it introduces, will have a significant impact on societies. True, their traditional activities of taking deposits and granting mortgage loans do not constitute investment business as defined in the Financial Services Bill but building societies are responsible for about a quarter of all sales of life assurance, by virtue of their link with the provision of home loans.

Societies which do not merely act as agents referring the business will require authorization under the Bill. The society - or a subsidiary - will have to join a self-regulatory organization or seek authorization direct from the Securities and Investments Board. This is a sound requirement: societies' life assurance activities often fall below their standards in other aspects of their business. Many do not provide their customers with a proper choice of policies, or taper policies to individual needs.

The duty of "best advice," proposed by MIBOC, would require societies to amend their current practice and take reasonable steps to seek out and recommend what they genuinely believe to be the best product for a particular customer, available from any company in the market. And, if an endorsement policy is not suitable, the society must not recommend one. The society that maintains agencies with the same companies year in and year out would become a thing of the past.

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with columns for STOCK MARKETS, MAIN PRICE CHANGES, INTEREST RATES, and CURRENCIES. Includes data for New York, Tokyo, Nikkei Dow, Hang Seng, etc.

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TEMPLETON INTERNATIONAL

Templeton, Galbraith & Hansberger Ltd. welcome new shareholders

"Since the end of the year the trend in profits has continued owing to a further increase in assets under management which by 31st March, 1986 had reached \$8.5 billion, an increase of 23 per cent since the year end and 64 per cent since 31st March, 1985. We estimate that profits after tax for the first quarter of this year were \$7.4 million, a substantial increase over the same quarter a year ago.

We should point out however that the first quarter of each year, and this year in particular, tends to be one of our stronger quarters because of individuals' contributions to their retirement accounts".

From the Chairman's letter.

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TEMPUS

Profits 23% up add muscle to Allied defence

Allied-Lyons' 1985-86 results demonstrated why the company is not giving a Castlemaine XXXX about the bid from Elders DXL or anyone else.

Taxable profits were nearly £10 million above the City forecasts at £269.5 million, a gain of 23 per cent on turnover only 4 per cent higher.

Earnings per share after extraordinary items rose 75 per cent. The £67 million bonus from the sale of Allied's interest in Castlemaine Tooneys was partly offset by £28 million restructuring costs.

This year should bring further margin improvement as the cost-cutting programme continues. The growing popularity of more profitable lager also helps.

Profits are on course for £310 million, giving an undemanding prospective p/e ratio of 10 on the shares 7p higher at 315p.

Allied is confident it will secure the necessary monopolies clearances in Britain, the United States and Canada, and that the Canadian courts will throw out Gulf Canada's appeal against the deal.

P-E International

P-E International is a management consultancy company with a strong bias towards computer services. Now in the 52nd year of its existence, it is seeking a full listing on the Stock Exchange by way of an offer for sale by tender.

European Ferries

European Ferries has an interesting collection of businesses in its shipping, harbour operations and property divisions. Unfortunately, it still looks like a case of jam tomorrow, or rather 1987, and shareholders must be wondering whether it will be worth waiting that long.

Extel 'set to make purchase'

By Clare Dobie

Extel, the financial and racing information group, plans to make a large acquisition in the near future. It would like to expand its financial information, publishing and printing businesses.

Mr Alan Brooker, chairman and chief executive, denied that the plan was part of a defensive strategy. Demerger Corporation, whose bid for Extel recently collapsed, and Mr Robert Maxwell, the publisher, are barred from bidding for Extel for the next 12 months.

Mr Brooker announced yesterday that Mr John Barkshire, chairman of Mercantile House Holdings, is to become non-executive deputy chairman of Extel, in place of Mr George Mann, who will remain on the board for another year.

Extel's profits rose from £10.9 million to £14.7 million before tax in the year to March 31 and the dividend has been increased from 6.75p to 10p.

Following last year's rights issue there was a swing from interest charged of £82,000 to interest received of £41,000.

Of the £19 million rights issue proceeds, £11 million has been spent on introducing television to betting shops. Profits in the sporting and financial services division fell from £6.75 million to £6.20 million as a result of the costs of this investment.

Recovery likely to continue after Wall St fuels rally

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Another dull day yesterday had share prices slipping from the outset on persistent small selling due to political considerations ahead of the election results, fears of further rights issues and receding hopes of another cut in interest rates.

But shares staged a technical rally as Wall Street opened firmer. Most dealers expect the recovery to continue today as investors buy stock for the three-week account, which begins next Monday.

The FT 30-share index, which had tumbled by more than 22 points at one stage, ended 8.8 points lower at 1,336.9, while the FT-SE 100 closed 7.5 points down at 1,622.6.

Leaders finished between 4p and 8p down, but Allied-Lyons again resisted the trend at 315p, up 7p, relieved at the absence of a rights issue and pleased with profits that matched best expectations.

Gilts came through unscathed, helped by the strength of sterling. Index-linked stocks rose by £1.

It was a different story in stores, still numbed by the £72 million cash call from Harris Queensway. Harris dropped to 228p, before later rallying to 242p - a net fall of 6p. Marks and Spencer did not help sentiment by producing prof-

its at the lower end of expectations, but still up 20 per cent.

The shares fell initially to 199p, but rallied to 204p, down 4p. Other stores languished in sympathy, but ended well above the worst. Sears, reporting next week, lost 3p to 117 1/2p after adverse comment. Empire at 198p gave back 8p on its recent speculative rise.

Electronics remained vulnerable after Wednesday's setback at Diploma, which was 28p, down 26p - and a loss of 80p since the figures were announced. Good profits failed to help UEL at 276p, down 6p, but Amstrad re-

bounded 27p to 509p on growth prospects.

Profit-taking cut 17p from TT Group at 561p, but Williams Holdings was hoisted 30p to 685p after the chairman's comments at the annual meeting. Rank Organisation attracted strong speculative support on vague reports that Bond Corporation had acquired an interest. The company refused to comment on the reports.

Recently two big stockbrokers have upgraded their profit forecasts. Aitken Hume was a late feature at 174p, up 16p following a bid from Tranwood.

Banks remained overshad-

owed by the disappointing profits from Royal Bank of Scotland, 4p lower at 332p. NatWest lost 15p to 870p.

European Ferries eased 3p to 144p after profits much as expected. Rotaflex, up 7p to 350p, continued to reflect satisfaction with the company's strong resistance to the Emess Lighting terms.

Wedgwood eased 8p to 355p, awaiting takeover developments. Disappointing profits knocked 7p from AE at 146p. Better-than-expected earnings and a sharp rise in the dividend failed to support Extel at 375p, down 5p. WSL Holdings was marked up 10p to 163p.

There is a presentation of the company next week and Messel, the broker, is believed to have a favourable circular in the wings. Tate & Lyle remained on offer at 57 1/2p, down 1 1/2p, because of the Berisford bid situation. Recent speculative favourites Rowatree, at 496p and Parkland Textile, 142p, fell by 1 1/2p and 8p respectively.

Oils were supported by the latest flare-up in the Gulf war, with BP 8p higher at 553p ahead of next week's first-quarter figures. Ultramar improved by 5p to 185p as IEP Securities increased its holding.

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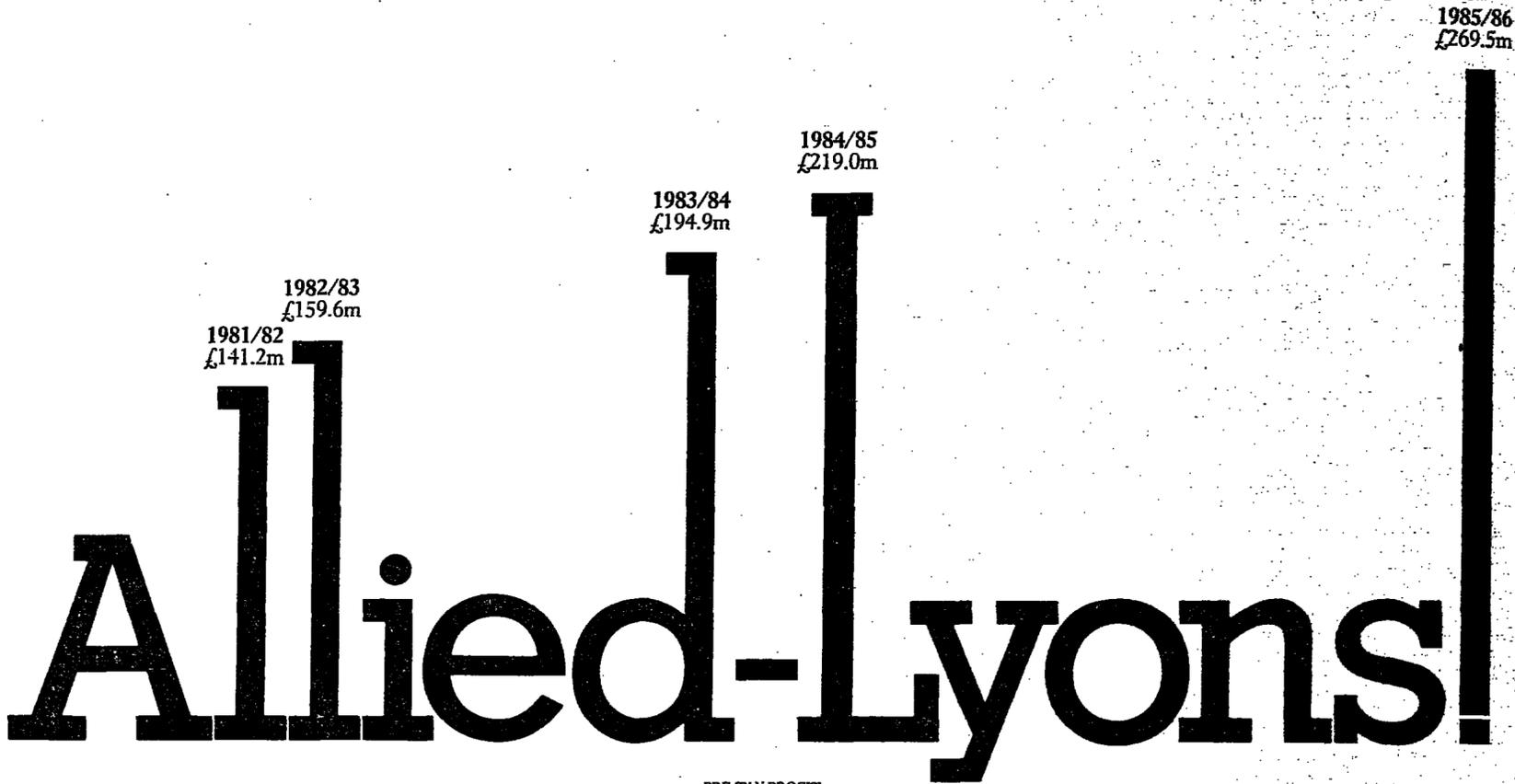
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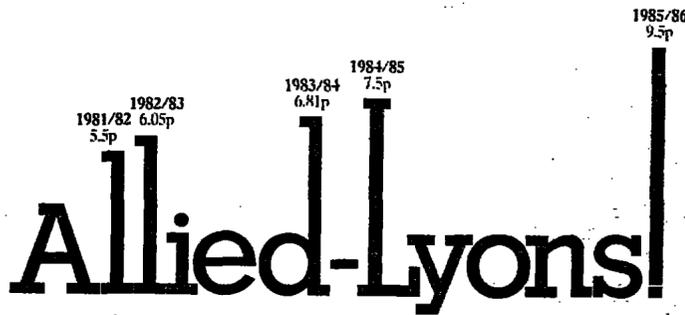
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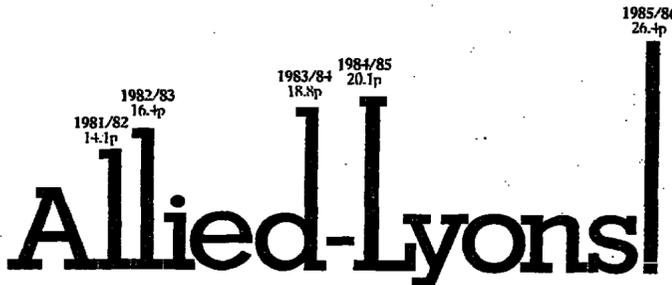
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# One in five catches DIY habit in £2.5bn market

By Derek Harris  
Industrial Editor

One British adult in five tackles do-it-yourself jobs around the house, averaging five projects in the past year. For some it is a continuous process, almost compulsive by nature, reflecting both basic and cosmetic needs. A survey of consumer attitudes towards DIY found.

The compulsion means good business for the DIY manufacturers and retailers, whose sales year is now at its peak.

The survey by the market analyst NOW Research suggests that more than 16 million households in Britain are likely to spend £3 a week on DIY products this year, which puts a value of about £2.5 billion on the market.

The average household involved in DIY spent about £150 last year and is likely to spend more than £160 this year, suggesting an increase of about 7 per cent. The increase last year over 1984 was about 13 per cent.

This easing of growth underlines the widespread view that DIY is now a mature market.

It has long expanded out of its original province of the small number of households relying on traditional male skills and technical knowledge.

The market now embraces all socio-economic groups, women and men, young and old, according to the survey.

In the past year at least 52 per cent of women surveyed had handled at least one DIY task. Among men 74 per cent had done the same. At least

Growth in the £295 million-a-year tools and equipment market is likely to be limited after the end of this decade, according to a survey by Market Assessment, the market analyst.

Potential demand is largely met, leaving mainly replacement sales, the survey says.

Hand tools sales are likely to be hit further because of increasing competition from power tools and the sales of simple self-assembly furniture.

The hand tools market dropped in value, in real terms by a third between 1978 and 1984, although the traditional manual tools are still the biggest single sector, worth about £150 million at retail values. The market has recovered slightly since bottoming out in 1982.

half of those aged 55 or older had tackled a DIY job.

Even young children are likely to have some influence on the decor of their own bedrooms, while children aged 11 or more can have an impact on decisions on style and colour in family rooms.

Women, the survey found, were more likely to be the instigators of DIY projects, having been influenced by the media and advertising. Men were primarily the doers, while holding sway on technical issues — choice of tools and working methods — and often on brand selection.

But DIY products are increasingly likely to be bought by women as gifts for men, with presentation and packaging playing key roles, the survey found.

Volume sales of paintbrushes and rollers, which are replaced frequently, have moved ahead, reaching about 44.4 million units by the end of 1984. But falling prices and margins have squeezed real market value to about £28 million at retail values.

Sales of power tools were valued at £68 million in 1984, a rise in real terms of 14 per cent since 1980. Black & Decker is market leader in this sector with an estimated 85 per cent of sales.

Workbenches were selling at the rate of about £9 million a year in retail terms by 1984. The sector was worth only £4 million retail in 1979.

**DIY Tools and Equipment Report 552**, Market Assessment Publications, 2 Duncan Terrace, London N1, £250.

Group discussions with DIY enthusiasts of varying levels of competence were part of the survey. Most had in common their urge to improve the home. They looked on DIY as part of their leisure activities, although the key motivation was cost.

Secondary motivations were concern over "cowboy" builders and personal satisfaction and pride in a DIY achievement.

DIY householders were especially sensitive about prices, the survey found. But in some areas, especially tools and electrical products, product quality and reliability played an important part.

Edge-of-town DIY superstores were liked for their longer trading hours and

Sunday opening, but they were criticized for poor quality of sales staff. Customers see them all as similar, said the survey.

Only the experienced among DIY adherents like the builders' merchants. Small local DIY and hardware shops are seen as old-fashioned, uncompetitive on price and likely to decrease in numbers even though they often provide expert advice.

The most frequently tackled DIY task is the painting of interior woodwork, with 51 per cent undertaking the task last year.

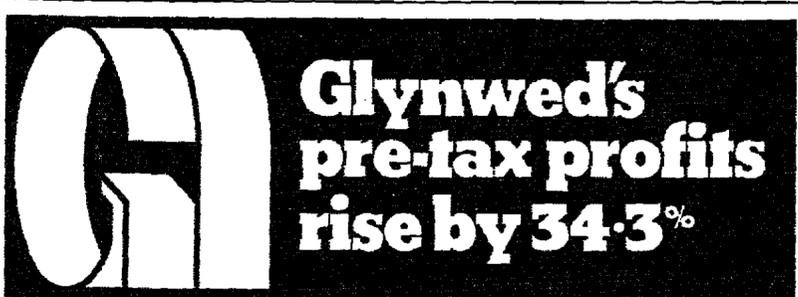
Wallpapering was the second most frequent job (38 per cent of adults), followed by laying of carpets or tiles (24 per cent) and fixing shelves and cupboards to walls (23 per cent).

Twelve per cent of adults tackled some plumbing, 10 per cent electrical re-wiring and as many again some plastering of internal walls. About 7 per cent made or renovated furniture.

Installation of double glazing attracted 3 per cent, the same proportion that built internal partitions. Only 2 per cent tried installing central heating.

There are more DIY households in the North-east and the Midlands than anywhere else, although DIY is popular in the South of England and Scotland. But there are fewer DIY adherents in London, eastern England and Yorkshire, the survey found.

**DIY NOW — the Consumer View**, NOW Research, 80 St Martin's Lane, London WC2N 4AA, £850.



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#### COMPANY NEWS

● **VALUX GROUP:** Interim dividend 4.18p (3.74p) for the 24 weeks to March 15, 1986. Turnover £73.55 million (£62.9 million). Pretax profit £6.22 million (£5.11 million). The board reports that, given a reasonable summer, the company is on target to achieve at least a similar increase in profit in the second half-year.

● **USHER-WALKER:** Total dividend for 1985 7.3p (6.6p). Turnover £10.99 million (£10.15 million). Pretax profit £845,000 (£784,000). Earnings per share 20.68p (18.46p).

● **FAIRLINE BOATS:** Half-year to March 31, 1986. Interim dividend 2p (1.5p). Turnover £5.78 million (£4.26 million). Pretax profit £403,000

(£252,000). Earnings per share 7.1p (4.7p).

● **CR (HOLDINGS):** Half-year to Dec 31, 1986. Interim dividend 1.6p (same), payable on July 3. Turnover £12.17 million (£16.46 million). Pretax profit £743,000 (£1.18 million).

● **FUJITSU-GTE:** The two companies intend to form a joint venture for developing and marketing private branch exchanges and related business communications systems for North America. A definitive agreement is expected to be signed by the end of this year.

● **UNITED BRISTOLS:** The annual meeting was told that the first-quarter pretax show a substantial increase compared with the same period last year.

This will mean a significant rise in profit for the half-year.

● **WILLIAMS HOLDINGS:** The board forecasts a net dividend of 12p a share for 1986 — an increase of 50 per cent over last year — which will be paid 4p as an interim and 8p as the final. The annual meeting was told. Williams' acquisition of Fairry Engineering is expected to contribute substantially to the group's success and its order intake has improved considerably over the last few months.

● **WOODHOUSE AND RIXSON:** For the first four months of the current year, sales and order intake are well ahead of the corresponding period last year, the annual meeting was

told. The company looks forward to 1986 with confidence.

● **BBA GROUP:** The results for first quarter of the current year are ahead of the previous year and the board expects a year of excellent progress, the annual meeting heard. Steps have recently been taken to establish a new management structure which recognizes the group's rapid growth.

● **HUNTING ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES:** Mr Clive Hunting, the chairman, says in his annual statement that he believes prospects for continuing growth in 1986 are good. The group's defence business has a strong order book, which should result in a further increase in profits from this sector.



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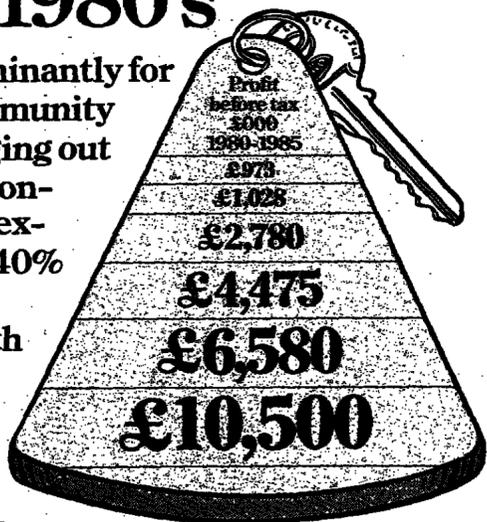
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By Sally Watts
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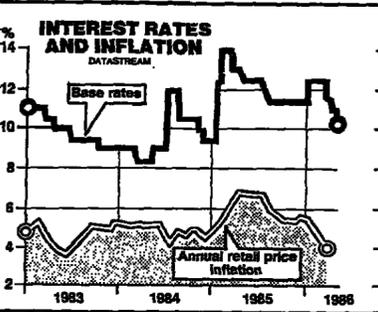
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Inflation clue to steady fall predicted for base rates

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent



Interest rates in Britain, it is generally agreed, are headed downwards. Economists dispute the level base rates will be on at the end of the year, but there is near consensus that they will be below the present 10.5 per cent.

Mr Richard Jeffrey, at the stockbrokers Hoare Govett, expects them to fall to 7.5 per cent by then. Mr David Kern, chief economist at the National Westminster Bank, is looking for a more modest reduction, to 9 per cent, while Mr Howard Carter, of P-B Securities, predicts 8 per cent and Mr Ian Harwood, at Rowe & Pitman, sees base rates just edging down to 9.5 per cent by December.

Even so, this uniformity of views on the direction of the outlook for inflation than with the money supply or the exchange rate. The Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, has said that inflation should be the judge and jury of policy, and the markets are inclined to believe him.

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But it is a brave person who can be confident about the performance of sterling over six months, particularly if there is a general expectation that one of the props for sterling, high British interest rates, will be gradually removed.

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drop to 2.7 per cent in June, 2.4 per cent in September and 1.8 per cent by December.

The inflation rate in April, due to be published at the end of next week, is likely to be around 3.2 per cent, a full point down on March. From then on, even if most forecasters are not quite as bold as Hoare Govett, the rate is expected to remain at or below 3 per cent for the rest of the year.

The argument that lower base rates must happen then becomes mainly a real interest rate argument. When the historic inflation rate is 4.3 per cent the real rate of interest, with 10.5 per cent base rates, is over 6 per cent.

Just to maintain real interest rates, even at this very high level, base rates will need to fall significantly as the inflation rate falls. On the Hoare Govett inflation forecast, a base rate prediction of 7.5 per cent by the end of the year is still a very high real interest rate. The more general view, of end-year inflation of 3 per cent, would require base rates of 6 per cent to keep the real rate of interest at current levels.

There is, of course, an element of the self-fulfilling prophecy in inflation and interest rate forecasts. Mortgage rates are an important element in the retail prices index, and they come down as general interest rates fall.

The difficulty with the real interest rate approach to base rate forecasts comes next year. When the special factors of collapsing oil prices, and the pound's sharp recovery and comparisons with last year drop out, the core inflation rate may return to around 5 per cent.

This taken in combination with the tendency for interest rates to be panicked up in January by runs on the pound, could mean that after driving down base rates this year, the Government will be forced to push them up again in 1987. In what could be an election year, that is not politically attractive.

Engineering (LE) has purchased Northern Heat Treatments and its offshoot, Northern Induction, both operating at Blackburn, Lancashire. These takeovers cost about £2.2 million cash.

ASTRA INDUSTRIAL GROUP: The company has disposed of its freehold investment property at Cheston Road, Aston, Birmingham, for £422,000 cash (book value: £350,000). The proceeds will be used to fund working capital and expenditure incurred in the reorganisation of the leisure division.

HUGH MACKAY: Mr J Mackay, the chairman, told the annual meeting that the current year had started well. The company's activities are almost 20 per cent up compared with a year ago. Exports have been nearer 45 per cent higher.

RENAISSANCE ENERGY: First quarter of 1986. Gross revenue: Can\$59.68 million (£4.6 million), against Can\$5.88 million. Net income, before extraordinary item, Can\$1.09 million (Can\$392,000).

SOUTHERN VENTURES: In his annual report, Mr Bob Hewitt, the chairman, predicts "one or two" gold mining operations next year from the company's advanced projects in Western Australia. Southern will be raising additional financing by a rights issue, with details later this month.

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### Fight red tape with phone call

By Our Industrial Editor

The Institute of Directors anti-red tape hotline, which promises to provide answers to problems for the price of a telephone call, begins operation next Monday.

The new service, part of the IOD's campaign against bureaucracy and red tape, answers a pilot experiment at Manchester, during which the greatest demand was for help with tax problems and difficulties arising from local authority planning controls.

The hotline - to be run by the IOD's policy and research executive - has access to experts on taxation, insurance, local government and company affairs. Mr Simon Burns, head of the new service, said: "Despite the Government's claims that it has reduced bureaucracy, directors are still being hit by petty red tape which impedes efficient running of businesses."

The IOD service will be prepared to raise problems with Government departments, including the Inland Revenue, and local authorities. The pattern of problems thrown up by the new service will be added to the IOD's dossier on which regulations and red tape it wants the Government to abolish.

Hotline advice is available to any member of the IOD by calling 01-839 1233.

### MPs seek compromise on Sunday trading law

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

It seems increasingly likely that there will be some dispensation on Sunday opening for smaller shops, garden centres and possibly DIY outlets.

There is no sign yet of a flood of prosecutions by local authorities against stores opening on Sundays, which remains illegal under the anomaly-riddled 1950 Shops Act.

Two parliamentary moves are in prospect, both aimed at achieving compromise improvements on the Shops Act. The Institute of Directors has also brought out the results of an April survey showing that 91 per cent of business leaders want to see Sunday trading laws reformed, with a majority in favour of complete liberalisation.

Mr Ivor Stanbrook, Tory MP for Orpington, who has led Conservative backbench opposition to complete deregulation of shop hours, is due next Tuesday to introduce a Bill under the 10-minute rule. Mr Raymond Powell, Labour MP for Orpington, who has been associated with the anti-deregulation stance of the Union of Shop Distributive and Allied Workers (USDAW), expects the following day to introduce his own Bill under the 10-minute rule.

Mr Stanbrook is still discussing with the Tory back-



Ivor Stanbrook: opposes complete deregulation

bench group details of his Bill. He said: "We were not happy with total deregulation but it was not that we did not want to see a revision of the Shops Bill."

The Stanbrook Bill will aim to include the ideas acceptable to the backbench group so that the Government might even feel able to take it up itself or make it the basis of a Private Member's Bill which hopefully might get government support if the backbenchers could this time deliver a clear prospect of the Bill getting a substantial majority vote.

There is already clear support for allowing opening of garden centres. A key option being discussed, Mr Stanbrook said, is to clear the way for Sunday opening of smaller retail outlets, typically corner

shops, employing no more than three people.

Additionally, four-hour openings could be allowed of DIY-only outlets and shops in tourism areas. But Mr Stanbrook is anxious to find a formula which would not destroy the special character of the English Sunday.

Mr Powell's Bill will aim to set up a standing conference, covering all shades of opinion, of about 50 representatives of the organisations involved in the Sunday trading issue. Mr Powell said: "When the conference reported, the House could look at the majority view. It is the only way we are going to get a Shops Act which is acceptable to everybody."

The Federation of Multiple DIY Retailers, now campaigning strongly for special dispensation for DIY and garden centre outlets, sees both parliamentary moves as encouraging. So far, federation members have reported no new rash of prosecutions by local authorities for illegal Sunday opening.

In the Institute of Directors survey, 56 per cent of the business leaders supported complete liberalisation of Sunday trading, with 26 per cent in favour of revised limits on trading hours such as a four-hour maximum. Another 9 per cent thought local authorities should have power to determine trading laws in their areas.

### APPOINTMENTS Midland Bank chief named

Midland Bank Mr Brian Goldthorpe, chief executive, group risk management, is to be chief executive, corporate banking.

Ribble Valley Enterprise Agency: Dr G Stafford is to be director.

Hydron Europe: Mr Kevin H P MacGiffis becomes managing director.

International Hydron Corporation: Mr Gordon E Jones becomes vice-president with responsibility for strategic planning.

Sheridan Group: Mr N L Oxley and Mr John A Soilleux have been named as directors. Mr Douglas Harrison-Mills will be director of marketing. Mr Soilleux is to be managing director of the subsidiary, Sheridan Securities.

Delta Group: Mr Peter Sylvester becomes chairman of Investment Engineering and Mr David Stringfellow managing director.

Malcolm McIntyre & Partners: Mr John Albert has joined the board.



Sir Gerald Vaughan MP, the former Minister of Health, above, has joined the management team of Health First, Britain's newest private medical insurance organization. He becomes a non-executive director of Mutual of Omaha International, the company behind Health First.

Southwest Resources: Mr Ken Keep has become a director.

Interleasing: Mr Neil Pykett is to be joint managing director.

Bejan Freezer Food Centres: Mr John Kelly has joined the board.

Venture Founders: Mr Joseph M Frye has been named as managing director.

### Bottle cannot be registered as a trade mark

In re Coca-Cola Co

Before Lord Keith of Kinkaid, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Lord Templeman, Lord Griffiths and Lord Oliver of Aylmerston: (Speeches said May 8)

The Coca-Cola Company was not entitled to register the Coca-Cola bottle as a trade mark.

The House of Lords dismissed by Coca-Cola from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Browne-Wilkinson and Sir Denis Buckley) (178 Times January 1985) [1985] FSR 315, who had affirmed Mr Justice Falconer (The Times December 20, 1983).

Mr T. A. Blanco White, QC and Mr Christopher Morcom for the Coca-Cola Co. Mr Hugh Laddie, QC, for the Registrar of Trade Marks.

LORD TEMPLEMAN said that the case was another attempt to expand the boundaries of intellectual property and convert a protective law into a source of monopoly.

An attempt to use the Copyright Act 1956 for that purpose had failed recently in *British Leyland Motor Corporation Ltd v Armstrong Patents Co Ltd* (The Times February 28, 1986) 2 WLR 400. The present attempt was based on the Trade Marks Act 1938.

Since the early 1920s Coca-Cola had sold in the United Kingdom a non-alcoholic beverage under the name "Coca-Cola" contained in bottles of a distinctive shape. The shape had been accepted as a design and registered under the Patents and Designs Act 1907.

The effect of that registration had expired in 1949 since when any rival manufacturer had been free to use the design of the Coca-Cola bottle.

Coca-Cola now claimed that it was entitled to a monopoly in the bottle as a trade mark.

The Registrar had decided that the Coca-Cola bottle was distinctive of a bottle containing the Coca-Cola beverage, but was not sufficient for the bottle to be distinctive.

The word "mark" both in its

normal meaning and in its statutory definition was apt only to describe something that distinguished goods rather than the goods themselves. A bottle was a container, not a mark.

The distinction between a mark and the thing that was marked was supported by authority.

In *in re James's Trade Mark* (1886) LR 33 ChD 922 the plaintiffs had sold black lead in the form of a dome and in other shapes. Their products had been impressed with the representation of a dome, and their labels had carried a picture of a black dome. They had been asked to register the representation or picture of a black dome as their trade mark.

Similarly, Coca-Cola had been asked to register a line drawing of the Coca-Cola bottle as its trade mark.

But, in *James's* case, dealing with the article itself, Lord Justice Lindley had said, at p.922: "A mark must be something distinct from the thing marked. The thing itself cannot be a mark of itself... Of course the plaintiffs... leave no monopoly in the black lead of this shape. Anybody may make black lead of this shape, provided he does not mark it as the plaintiffs mark theirs, and provided he does not pass it off as the plaintiffs'." There is no monopoly in the shape.

His Lordship did not consider that *Smith, Kline and French Laboratories Ltd v Sterling Winthrop Group Ltd* (1976) RPS 511 assisted Coca-Cola.

There was no evidence allowed to register 10 distinctive colour combinations as trade marks for drugs sold in pellet form within capsules. A colour combination might tend to a trade mark monopoly in colours but did not create a trade mark monopoly in goods or containers.

His Lordship would dismiss the appeal.

Lord Keith, Lord Brandon, Lord Griffiths and Lord Oliver agreed.

Solicitors: McKenna & Co, Treasury Solicitor.

### Royal Bank of Scotland disappoints with £92m

By Our City Staff

Royal Bank of Scotland's pretax profit for the six months to March 31 amounted to £92.7 million, somewhat below market expectations of around £100 million.

The net dividend has been increased from 3.6p to 4p. Two chief factors pulled down the first results since the merger with Williams & Glyn's.

One was a worse-than-expected charge for bad and doubtful debt where specific provisions rose by £7 million from £22.3 million to £29.3 million.

Shipping was, like last year, one of the black spots but this year the oil services sector was

### UK mining machinery sales drop to continue

By Our Industrial Editor

Britain's mining machinery manufacturers face a continued decline in home market sales, according to a new study of the mining machinery sector's problems by the National Economic Development Council's mining machinery economic development committee, or "Little Neddy".

Sales by British makers in 1984 dropped 16 per cent, or £145 million, to £558 million, although there was the impact that year of the miners' strike. But the volume of home consumption of mining machinery almost halved between 1980 and 1984, the report said.

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or the decline in business was largely due to falling demand for coal and to pit closures. The study said: "The recent sharp fall in oil prices poses a potentially serious threat to power station demand for coal which represents some 70 per cent of NCB sales."

The Little Neddy report, which was prepared before the Russian nuclear disaster, takes no account of the possible effects in switching back to the non-nuclear field.

In the medium term the home mining equipment market seemed likely to continue to decline from the peak in 1980.

### Nature of crime not consequences vital to compensation right

Regina v Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, Ex parte Webb and Others

Before Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Stephen Brown and Sir John Megaw (Judgment given May 8)

It was the nature of the crime, not its likely consequences, that determined whether it was a crime of violence for the purposes of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme 1964 (1969 Revision).

The Court of Appeal, in a reserved judgment, dismissed the appeals of four British Rail engine drivers, Mr Cyril Manville Webb, Mr Sidney Charles Warner, Mr Henry Clark, and Mr Albert Wilks from a decision of the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (The Times March 28, 1985; [1985] 3 WLR 618) whereby it was adjudged that the drivers were not entitled to judicial review of a decision which the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board made that a psychiatric injury attributable to an offence under section 34 of the Offences against the Person Act 1861 was not a "personal injury attributable to a crime of violence" within the scheme.

Mr Leslie Joseph, QC and Mr Guy Sankley for the appellants; Mr Michael Wright, QC and Mr John Laws for the board.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that all the appeals, heard together, raised the same question, namely whether a psychiatric injury directly attributable to an offence amounting to an offence under section 34 of the Offences against the Person Act 1861 was a "personal injury attributable to a crime of violence" within the scheme.

The board decided that such an injury was not attributable to a crime of violence. The Divisional Court agreed, hence the appeals.

In the case of Mr Clark, a further question arose, as to whether the words in the scheme, "immunity at law of an offender, attributable to his youth, insanity or other condition" referred to immunity from prosecution or immunity from conviction.

The Divisional Court adjudged that they referred to immunity from conviction. Mr Wright submitted that that construction was wrong.

Each of the drivers had had the misfortune when driving his train to run over and kill someone who was on the railway line as he approached.

In three cases the coroners' courts returned verdicts of suicide. In Mr Clark's case the deceased was a senile man of 84 who might not have known what he was doing.

All four drivers suffered psychiatric injury directly attributable to the conduct of the deceased. The three who had committed suicide had been guilty of offences under section

34 of the 1861 Act. The deceased in Mr Clark's case might not have been because of his mental condition.

Section 34 provided: "Whoever, by any unlawful act, or by any wilful omission or neglect, shall endanger or cause to be endangered the safety of any person conveyed or being in or upon a railway, or shall aid or assist therein, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding two years."

There were about 250 other engine drivers who had suffered psychiatric injuries in the same kind of circumstances as the appellants and whose cases were awaiting hearing by the board.

The words "crime of violence" were not a term of art. The scheme was not a statutory one. The Government had made funds available for payment of compensation without being under a statutory duty to do so.

It followed that the court should not construe the scheme as if it were a statute but as a public announcement of what the Government was willing to do. That, entailed, the court deciding "what would be a reasonable and discrete man's understanding of the circumstances in which he could under the scheme be paid compensation for personal injury caused by a crime of violence."

Mr Joseph submitted that the hypothetical reasonable and discrete man would keep in mind that anyone acting in the way prohibited by section 34 was likely to endanger or cause to be endangered the safety of any approaching engine driver.

If a crime was likely to cause injury, whether physical or psychiatric, then as a matter of the ordinary usage of English it could properly be described as a crime of violence, he argued.

Mr Wright submitted that the draftsman of the scheme intended to limit the meaning of the word "crime" by the use of the qualifying words "of violence". Those words were adjectival and indicated the nature of the crime to which the scheme applied. The nature of a crime was different from its consequences.

His Lordship said that Mr Wright's submission that what mattered was the nature of the crime, not its likely consequences, was well founded. It was for the board to decide whether unlawful conduct because of its nature, not its consequences, amounted to a crime of violence.

That was too narrow a construction. The intention of the scheme, read as a whole, was to pay compensation to persons injured by acts of criminal violence. There did not have to be a conviction before compensation became payable.

"The key to construction lay in the words 'insanity or other condition'. A person who was unfit to plead was immune from prosecution. Save in that limited sense, insanity was a defence as was abnormality of mind as defined in the Homicide Act 1957."

The Divisional Court adjudged that the words "immunity at law" meant immunity from conviction and that the words "youth or insanity or other condition" were apt to include a lack of mental capacity due to old age. His Lordship agreed.

Lord Justice Stephen Brown and Sir John Megaw agreed.

Solicitors: Robin Thompson & Partners, Treasury Solicitor.

### Costs risk if papers not in order

Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Meyer-Wulff

Applications for judicial review were liable to be dismissed with costs if documents filed in court were not drawn up in compliance with Practice Direction (Evidence - Documents) (1983) 1 WLR 822.

Lord Justice Watkins so stated in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court on May 6 in delivering a judgment concurring with Mr Justice Mann in dismissing an application for

judicial review of a decision by the Home Secretary to make a deportation order.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS said that it needed to be plainly understood by all applicants for judicial review that unless they followed faithfully the terms of the Practice Direction their applications were likely to be struck out because of the fact that the bundles of documents were almost unintelligible.

Solicitors or their lay clients or both would be liable to pay the costs of the applications.

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### Civil liability for crime is possible

CBS Songs Ltd and Others v Amstrad Consumer Electronics plc and Another

The criminal offence of incitement to commit a criminal offence under section 21(3) of the Copyright Act 1956 might give rise to civil liability and entitle copyright holders to an injunction to restrain such incitement, Mr Justice Whitford said in the Chancery Division on May 8, allowing certain amendments to the plaintiffs' statement of claim, but striking out certain allegations.

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- Recent cost structure reviews clients include a large engineering group, a defence electronics company, a multinational oil company and a national airline.
- In 1985 a study was carried out for a leading retail and distribution group to review its objectives and strategy and to advise on the management structure that would be required to handle expected growth.
- Last year P-E's executive selection consultants filled more than eighty managerial vacancies for clients in many different sectors of industry and commerce.
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The **Manufacturing Division** has evolved from the Group's early production engineering work in the 1960s to its current role as to assist its clients to harness new technology in order to make their manufacturing operations more efficient. Typical assignments involve planning for the introduction of Advanced Manufacturing Technology, advising on improved production and inventory control systems, design for manufacture and productivity studies. In recent years P-E has carried out a large number of projects in the field of Computer Aided Design (CAD) and in late 1985 it was selected by the Department of Trade and Industry to undertake a study of international standards for CAD.

- Last year P-E assisted leading manufacturers of high performance luxury cars to examine how best to produce a range of engine and suspension components using a Group Technology approach.
- Another 1985 assignment was for a major British carpet manufacturer where P-E established a quality assurance system.

Since 1977 the Government has subsidised the provision of consultancy services to smaller businesses through a number of schemes now known as Business and Technical Advisory Services (BTAS). Over the years more than 2,000 firms have been assisted in this way. P-E has been involved since the outset.

- One 1985 BTAS assignment was for a company with about 50 employees manufacturing leather goods. P-E assisted with the reorganisation of the factory to enable the company to meet the major expansion in output required on becoming a supplier to Marks & Spencer.

At the beginning of 1986 the Manufacturing Division, which had hitherto been based in P-E's Midlands office at Solihull, was split into two parallel divisions: The Solihull-based division now services clients in the Midlands, the North and overseas, while a new Epsom-based division services manufacturing clients in London and the South.

Recent Management Consulting clients include Access Agril Foods, BTR, Brush Airways, Carpets International, Chair Sussas, Department of Trade and Industry Jaguar, John Menzies, MEL, Microgen, Ministry of Defence, Nancy Fisher, Rolls-Royce, Vickers, Wood Bank.

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- In 1986 a major choice automation review was carried out for a local authority. P-E developed a fully-integrated strategy based on a network linking all the council's offices to each other and to the maintenance computer.
- In a current study, P-E is advising British Rail on the information requirements of rail passengers on its next generation of mainline trains. In addition to conventional information on timings and schedules, the study will also examine provision for a range of other services including telephones and details enabling passengers to keep in touch with their offices during a journey.

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- A major client in 1985 was the Post Office which the division assisted in a number of aspects of IT including the National Automatic Counters, Customer Automation and Express Automation.
- In 1985 an educational body was assisted to define, select and install a new database management system for student records.

- Last year the division also provided help to a large composite insurance company in developing its financial reporting systems.

Recent clients of the Information Technology Division include Asda, B-TEC, BAT, British Rail, County Bank, Coventry City Council, OAK, The Home Centre, The Law Society, Legal & General, London Hospital, The Patent Office, The Post Office, Casar General Petroleum Corporation, Royal Insurance, Wellcome.

## Computer Services

This business is made up of three divisions - Computer Systems Division, Technical Computing Division and Northern Division.

The **Computer Systems Division** provides systems analysis and programming services in the commercial systems area undertaking systems development projects and providing skilled staff at all levels to undertake project work. It also provides a range of services in various aspects of training courses in the use of computers.

- The largest current project is in connection with the provision of a comprehensive management information system for the West African affiliate of a multinational oil company. The system covers the functions of inventory management, product costing, sales order processing, receivables and profitability reporting.

- The division has also assisted a major car manufacturer in the development of tailor-made solutions to various production problems including the installation of a mechanical material handling system for a high speed chain and design of an order processing system for a cash-and-carry operator.
- P-E recently provided consultants to a leading airline to assist in improving its inventory management system for major airlines and engine assemblies.

The **Technical Computing Division** was set up in late 1984 to provide a local point for P-E's involvement in scientific and technical systems. The services provided in this area are similar to those of the Computer Systems Division although virtually all the work in this area is similar to those of the Computer Systems Division.

- An assignment in 1985 involved the provision of software engineers to design, develop and implement emergency gas and air fire shutdown systems for offshore platforms.
- The division provided programming staff to reinforce the project team of another software house working on an automated warehousing application.

The **Northern Division** which operates in the North of England and Scotland from P-E's Manchester and Glasgow offices provides the same range of services as the other two computer services divisions.

- In a recent assignment P-E assisted a building society to carry out a major update of its computer software providing consultants to handle the technical aspects of the conversion.
- A current assignment for a major public transport organisation involves providing project leaders for a team converting a maintenance system to distributed processing using mini-computers.

Recent Computer Services clients include BP Oil, BURA, SNCM, Chesbury Building Society, Dowty Electronics, Ferranti, Hertz, Hoechst UK, ICL, Mobil, Norder, Scottish Transport Group, Shell Chemicals, TSB.

## Overseas Business

P-E's International Division markets and sells the whole range of the Group's services outside the United Kingdom. The business has been established and is growing by the appropriate specialist division and a number of recent assignments have been referred to above.

In 1985 overseas business accounted for less of some £4.5 million (23% of revenue). This was earned mainly in the Middle East (£1.35 million or 7%), Africa (£1.27 million or 7%) and Europe (£1.1 million or 6%). Much of P-E's overseas business is in developing countries where it is often funded by one or other of the international agencies. International Division staff keep closely in touch with these bodies including the Assan Development Bank in Manila, the European Development Fund in Brussels, the Industrial Development Organisation in Vienna, the International Labour Office in Geneva and the World Bank in Washington.

In a recent project in Ghana, P-E provided a team of economists and industrial specialists to carry out a number of economic feasibility studies. These formed the basis for consideration of a line of credit from the World Bank to the Government of Ghana. The project covered export incentives, import controls, reform of indirect taxes, investment code guidelines, industrial rehabilitation requirements and project evaluation criteria.

During 1985 P-E earned revenue from approximately 1,000 different clients, in the following proportions by sector:

Manufacturing	30%
Oil, gas and chemicals	26%
Transport, retail and distribution	9%
Financial services	9%
Government	7%
Other	6%
	100%

In 1986 the Group undertook assignments in the UK and overseas for a number of separate divisions and companies within a major international oil group which together accounted for some 17% of P-E's revenue. No other client accounted for more than 5% of P-E's revenue.

The Directors attach great importance to this measure of repeat business, considering that it provides an objective confirmation of the value of the services that P-E provides.

## Directors, Senior Management and Staff

**Directors**

**Hugh Lang CBE** (53) is Executive Chairman of the Company. A science graduate of Glasgow University and a chartered engineer, he joined P-E in 1961 after industrial experience in the steel and engineering industries. He progressed through a number of management positions, joining the Board in 1972, becoming Chief Executive in 1977 and Chairman in 1980. He is a member of the Design Council and the Engineering Council.

**Mark Stannuello** (44) is Group Managing Director. He joined P-E in 1972 after several years of data processing experience in the UK and overseas. By 1976 he was running P-E's newly-established computer services business. Appointed to the Board in 1981, he became Group Managing Director in June 1985.

**Jim Donaldson** (52) is Group Development Director. A Cambridge mathematics graduate, he joined P-E in 1970 after industrial and consulting experience in systems and computing. He has held several senior management positions within the Group, both in management consulting and in computer services, and he joined the Board in 1977. He is a member of the Council of the Management Consultants' Association and a former President of the Computing Services' Association.

**Vic Triffild** (41) is Finance Director. A chartered accountant, he has been with P-E since 1969 except for a period of 18 months up to January 1979. He has held senior accounting appointments within the Group, first in management consulting and then in computer services. He became Group Financial Controller in 1983 and joined the Board as Finance Director in April 1985.

**Robert Fitzroy** (60) is a non-executive Director. A chartered accountant, he joined the Board in 1980 having spent more than 25 years in management consulting, at first with PA Management Consultants where he was managing director, and thereafter as a vice-president of the Dietbold Group in New York. He is chairman of Gowat Holdings.

**Moisty White** (57) is a non-executive Director who joined the Board in 1984. He is a chartered accountant and is financial director of Ardcom International.

**Company Secretary**  
**Kath Bell** (39) is a graduate of London University and a chartered secretary. He joined P-E in 1984 after holding a similar position in the Rediffusion Group.

**Divisional Managing Directors**  
**David Elore** (44) is Divisional Managing Director of the Manufacturing Division, based in Solihull. He controls P-E's manufacturing consulting business in the Midlands, the North and Overseas. A chartered engineer, he joined P-E in 1967 after engineering industry experience.

**Colin Bonalide** (38) is Divisional Managing Director of the Computer Systems Division. An economics graduate of Southampton University, he joined P-E in 1972 after data processing experience in the oil and electronics industries.

**Bryan Churcher** (38) is Divisional Managing Director of the International Division. A member of the British Computer Society, he joined P-E in 1975 after sales experience in the computer industry.

**Brian Osmund** (48) is Divisional Managing Director of the Technical Services Division, which he joined P-E in 1983. Previously he had a variety of experience in contracting and consulting in the energy and construction industries.

**John Holman** (43) is Divisional Managing Director of the Computer Consulting Division. He joined P-E in 1980 after more than 15 years of computer experience in steel, oil and software.

**Alan Mansfield** (54) is Divisional Managing Director of the Business Consulting Division. A chartered engineer he joined the Group in 1980 after industrial experience in consumer electronics. His experience has included 14 years' involvement with different aspects of P-E's overseas business.

**Peter Moore** (44) is Divisional Managing Director of the Northern Division, based in Manchester. He joined P-E in 1981 after experience in both general management and data processing.

**Jim Skymonkiewicz** (38) is Divisional Managing Director of the Information Systems Division. A graduate in operational research from Imperial College, he joined P-E in 1970 after operational research experience in industry.

**David Thomas** (38) is Divisional Managing Director of the Technical Computing Division. A member of the British Computer Society, he joined P-E in 1970 after systems analysis and programming experience in the software industry.

**Jan Todd** (37) is Divisional Managing Director of the Manufacturing Division, based in Epsom. He controls P-E's manufacturing consulting business in London and the South. A chartered engineer, he joined P-E in 1980 after management experience in the process and engineering industries.

**Staff**

The functions of the 342 staff employed by P-E at 31 December 1985 were as follows:

Professional staff	205
Consultants	22
Sales	20
Accounting and administration	16
Group management	15
Support staff	262
	80
	342

Some 76% of P-E's professional staff are graduates or professionally qualified.

It is P-E policy to recruit staff with several years of relevant experience in industry and commerce. Considerable resources are invested in returning suitable staff, who are then trained in P-E's standards and methodologies, mainly within the divisions for which the individuals are recruited. P-E attaches great importance to ongoing professional development and, in its annual budgets, six days per consultant are allowed for training and retraining. P-E also attend computer manufacturers' courses in both hardware and software. In addition there is an extensive programme of internal communication, with regular staff meetings, professional workshops and a monthly business magazine.

The Directors believe strongly in relating remuneration to results achieved. Most members of management earn bonuses based on performance against budgeted profit of their divisions, such bonuses typically range from 20% up to 50% of basic salaries. Some managers earn bonuses based on sales and most other full-time employees participate in profit sharing schemes.

**Staff Shareholding**

Since the Group's P-E sold their shares to the staff in the early 1980s, shareholding by staff at all levels has been actively encouraged. Immediately prior to the Offer for Sale, the Directors held approximately 15% of the Company's issued share capital, the Divisional Managing Directors a further 10% and more than 120 other employees just over 26% of a contained staff shareholding of 51%. Following the Offer for Sale, the figures will fall to approximately 41% of the contained equity.

The Directors attach great importance to continuing high level of staff shareholding since it commits both management and employees more fully to the long-term success of P-E. To assist in this respect, a Savings-Related Share Option Scheme and an Executive Share Option Scheme have been introduced. Further details of these schemes are given under Employees Share Schemes in paragraph 4 of Statutory and General Information below.

## Associates

Associates normally have separate contracts for each assignment and are usually remunerated at a daily rate. They are selected from reputable firms by each division. These associates are of varying size but the two biggest providers of consulting staff on a contract basis are the Computer Systems Division and the Technical Services Division, whose combined registers contain more than 6,000 names. In total P-E has access to a network of more than 7,000 experienced consultants.

At 31 December 1985, some 280 associates were engaged on P-E assignments.

## Pension Funding

P-E operates a non-contributory pension scheme which is valued by independent actuaries every three years. The most recent valuation was made by R Warne & Sons, Consulting Actuaries, at 31 December 1985 and showed the scheme to be in a strong financial position.

The actuaries have made recommendations in connection with their valuation, taking into account the expected impact of the Offer for Sale on the value of the scheme's holding of shares in the Company. The Directors have been advised that it should be possible, on the basis of current assumptions, to provide for the benefits under the scheme and yet to reduce the resulting normal contribution rate of about 16% to 10% for a period of 10 or more years.

The Directors intend to implement the improved benefits and to reduce the contribution rate following the Offer for Sale with effect from 1 January 1986. On this basis, in 1986 the reduction in the Company's contribution from the existing level will be some £240,000.

## Properties

P-E's headquarters are located on an 18 acre estate near Epsom, Surrey. A Victorian country house, Park House, which has been converted into offices, and a modern office building, Lubbock House, provide total gross accommodation of approximately 31,000 square feet.

P-E has obtained planning permission for a further office building, to be constructed on a 4 acre area on the estate, providing gross accommodation of 18,300 square feet. The Directors believe that this building will provide sufficient additional space for the Group's requirements over the next three years. P-E has entered into a sale and leaseback agreement in respect of the site and the proposed new building. Brief particulars of the agreement are set out under Material Contracts in paragraph 9(b) of Statutory and General Information below. Eight acres of the estate, currently unused land, have recently been designated as potentially available for housing development post 1991.

The estate (excluding the property which is the subject of the sale and leaseback agreement) has been valued at 2 May 1985 by Jones Lang Wootton at £2.55 million.

P-E leases its regional offices in London, Solihull, Manchester and Glasgow.

The Park House estate and the Group's other principal premises are described under Properties in paragraph 7 of Statutory and General Information below.

## Financial Information

### Five Year Summary

	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985
Revenue	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Management Consulting	4,700	4,057	4,385	6,222	6,921
Information Technology	408	939	1,938	2,407	3,387
Computer Services	3,262	4,286	3,787	4,387	7,351
Technical Services	-	-	8	582	1,314
Total	8,371	9,282	10,128	13,608	19,453
Trading Profit	451	482	297	1,015	1,541
Exceptional items	(132)	(126)	(66)	(206)	-
Results of related companies	(13)	(12)	18	2	-
Net interest	(41)	(61)	(101)	(120)	(217)
Profit before taxation	265	283	145	691	1,324

The exceptional items in 1981, 1982 and 1983 comprised redundancy and re-organisation costs and in 1984 related to the settlement of a claim from a client in respect of problems with a building designed by a subsidiary in 1978. The Group is no longer engaged in architectural design.

**Trading Record**  
 The five year summary set out in the table above covers two distinct phases: the first was a period of relatively slow revenue growth from 1981 to 1983, the second was a period of rapid growth with much improved profitability in 1984 and 1985.

In 1981 and 1982 the management consulting business was adversely affected by the UK recession. In consequence management reorganisation was undertaken which led to improved performance in 1983. However, the computer services business, which had remained buoyant in the early 1980s, suffered a setback in 1983 with the cancellation of a major contract in Kuwait. Also in 1983 costs of some £120,000 were incurred in setting up a computer services operation in Houston, Texas, which was substantially discontinued in the following year.

While the progress made in 1984 and 1985 was in part due to a more buoyant market for the services provided by P-E, the most important factor was the high priority given to profitable growth as a result of the decision taken in mid-1983 to work towards a public flotation. This led to a change in management style and a more concentrated approach to the development of P-E's business. Management reviews were held weekly under more stringent profitability and management and staff shareholdings rose from 15% to 51% of the equity. Turnover grew by 34% between 1983 and 1984 and by 43% between 1984 and 1985, with much improved profitability. The Directors consider that these results confirm the effectiveness of the current operating formula.

**Net Tangible Assets**  
 The net tangible assets of the Group, as shown under Pro Forma Balance Sheet below, amount to £8,913,000 which represents 74.3p per ordinary share based on the 12,000,000 ordinary shares in issue following the Offer for Sale.

**Dividends**  
 For the year ended 31 December 1985, the Company paid a dividend of 1.8p net per ordinary share which, after the associated tax credits, represents a gross dividend of 2.5p covered 3.7 times. At the minimum tender price this dividend would have represented a gross dividend yield of 1.5%.

Following the Offer for Sale it is planned to pay interim dividends in October and final dividends in May, with the first interim dividend being paid in October 1986.

The Directors intend to pursue a progressive dividend policy, subject to maintaining a satisfactory level of cover.

## The Offer for Sale

The Directors believe that the admission of the ordinary shares to the Official List will:

- Enhance P-E's status as a leading independent consulting services group
- Increase client awareness of the services that it offers
- Provide a wider market for the Company's shares.

- Enable the Group's Pension Funds to reduce their substantial shareholdings
- Allow more ready access to additional capital and facilitate future expansion by acquisition

The opportunity is being taken by the Pension Funds to reduce their holdings and by certain individual shareholders to realise part of their holdings. The Pension Funds, Trustees, Directors and Divisional Managing Directors have given Hoare Gowat underwriting assisting the sale of further shares before the preliminary announcement of the Group's results for the year ending 31 December 1985. The net proceeds of the Offer for Sale receivable by the Company will, at the minimum tender price, be approximately £1.7 million and will be used to provide additional working capital to finance the expected growth of the business.

## Prospects

The environment in which management operates is becoming increasingly complex and the rate of technological change, notably in computing and information technology, is very rapid. At the same time increasing specialisation, combined with the high costs of full-time specialist employees, makes clients less likely to have within their organisations all the skills that they may require and therefore more likely to use outside consulting services.

P-E's strategy is to grow its business by building on its strengths, concentrating on those services where P-E's capability and track record give it a strong competitive position. It is expected that the growth will be mainly organic. Although there are no acquisitions currently under consideration, P-E will be prepared to acquire compatible businesses operating in closely-related fields.

P-E is a leading company in a large and growing market. The Directors are confident that P-E's strong client base and wide range of services will enable the Group to maintain significant growth in the foreseeable future. The current year has started well, with results for the first quarter significantly ahead of those for the corresponding period in 1985.

## Accountants' Report

The following is the text of a report from the Auditors and Reporting Accountants, Price Waterhouse:

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8 May 1986

Gentlemen,  
 P-E International plc ("the Company") and its subsidiaries together ("the Group") for each of the five years ended 31 December 1985. The financial statements set out below have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting Guidelines "Prospectuses and the reporting accountants".

In our opinion the financial statements set out below give a true and fair view of the profits and assets and liabilities of the Group for each of the five years ended 31 December 1985 and the state of affairs of the Group at the end of each year.

No financial statements of the Company or its subsidiaries have been prepared for subsidiaries in reliance on the fact of any period subsequent to 31 December 1985.

The following are the principal accounting policies which have been used in preparing the financial statements set out in this report.

**Basis of accounting**  
 The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of fixed property.

**Basis of consolidation**  
 The consolidated profit and loss accounts and balance sheets incorporate the accounts of all subsidiaries for the five years ended 31 December 1985. Related companies are companies (other than subsidiaries) where the Group has a substantial shareholding and is in a position to exercise significant influence. The consolidated accounts include the Group's share of the post acquisition reserves of such companies.

**Turnover and fee recognition**  
 Turnover represents less recoverable and allowable expenses due in respect of all chargeable work carried out in the year, excluding attributable value added tax.

**Fixed assets and depreciation**  
 Fixed assets, other than fixed property which is stated at its replacement cost less accumulated depreciation, are stated at their cost less depreciation provided over the useful life of the asset as follows:

Leasehold buildings	Period of lease
Furniture and equipment	15% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance
Computers and similar equipment	20% straight line

**Deferred taxation**  
 Deferred taxation on the profits arising on realisation of the Group's property is recognised only where there is a likelihood that it will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

No deferred taxation is provided on other timing differences as there is little likelihood that such taxation will become payable in the foreseeable future.

**Foreign currencies**  
 Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies have been expressed in sterling at the rates of exchange current at the year end. The resultant exchange profits and losses are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

## Group Profit and Loss Accounts

The consolidated profit and loss accounts of the Group for each of the five years ended 31 December 1985 are set out below.

	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	
Turnover	(1)	5,371	9,282	10,128	13,908	19,453
Direct costs	(2)	(5,338)	(6,760)	(7,361)	(10,043)	(11,024)
Gross profit	(3)	2,435	2,522	2,767	4,565	6,429
Selling and administrative costs	(4)	(1,984)	(2,040)	(2,470)	(3,568)	(4,888)
Trading profit	(5)	451	482	297	1,015	1,541
Exceptional items	(6)	(132)	(126)	(66)	(206)	-
Results of related companies	(7)	(13)	(			



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(v) The exercise of an option may be wholly or partly conditional upon the performance of the Company and/or subsidiary undertakings against such criteria as the Board may determine, subject to the approval of the Inland Revenue.

(vi) No option will be offered or granted to any person under the Executive Scheme if at the date of grant that would result in the aggregate of the sums payable on exercise of the options held by such person under the Scheme and certain other specified options, if applicable, exceeding the maximum amount of £100,000 (subject to the maximum in the latter case of £100,000) subject to the limit as to the number of shares to be exercised as an option.

(vii) The options to be taken into account for the purpose of this limit are broadly all options granted to the participant under the Executive Scheme or any other Group share option scheme (including the P-E International Savings-Related Share Option Scheme) which have not been exercised or remain available for exercise, or have lapsed.

(viii) The number of ordinary shares over which options may be granted on any date under the Executive Scheme will be limited so that when added to the number of shares issued or issuable under options granted within the previous ten years under the Executive Scheme or any other Group share option scheme (including the P-E International Savings-Related Share Option Scheme) it will not exceed 5% of the number of issued ordinary shares of the Company immediately prior to the date of grant, or if less, 1,200,000 ordinary shares.

(ix) The number of shares over which options may be granted on any date under the Executive Scheme will be further limited so that when added to the number of shares issued or issuable under options granted within the previous ten years under the Executive Scheme or any other Group share option scheme (including the P-E International Savings-Related Share Option Scheme) it will not exceed 10% of the number of issued ordinary shares of the Company immediately prior to such date.

(x) The number of shares over which options may be granted under the Executive Scheme at any time together with shares comprised in grants of any other share options or issues under any profit sharing scheme in the preceding three years is limited to 5% of the number of issued ordinary shares of the Company in the first year of operation of the Executive Scheme. The 5% limit will not apply provided that on any grant of options the percentage of capital appropriated to those options and in the preceding five years under all other Group share option or profit sharing schemes does not exceed 5%.

(xi) Options under the Executive Scheme may not be granted more than ten years after the date on which the Scheme was approved by the Inland Revenue and thereafter during periods of 42 days after the announcement of the Group's annual or interim results.

(xii) Shares issued as a result of the exercise of an option will rank pari passu with the other issued ordinary shares of the Company save that they will not rank for dividends with a record or announcement date prior to the exercise of an option.

(xiii) At any time prior to the exercise of an option the issued ordinary share capital of the Company is vested by way of capitalisation in issue, subscription, consolidation or reduction, the exercise price in respect of such options, the limits referred to in sub-paragraphs (vii), (viii), (ix) and (x) above will be varied in such manner as the Board may determine, provided that the adjustment that such adjustment is in their option fair and reasonable.

(c) **The P-E Group Profit-Sharing Scheme ("The Profit-Sharing Scheme")**  
The Profit-Sharing Scheme was constituted by a trust deed and rules dated 14 December 1979, and from 22 January 1980 to 31 December 1984 was an approved scheme under the provisions of the Companies Act 1966. During such period the Directors allocated £68,478 to the trustees of the Scheme from the profits of the Company, which were applied in the purchase and subscription of 21,707 ordinary shares of £1 each in the Company, such shares being held by the trustees on behalf of, and for the benefit of, the employees of the Company. The Directors do not intend to allocate any further monies for the purposes of the Profit-Sharing Scheme and the Scheme will in due course be terminated.

5. **Directors' and Other Interests**  
(a) The beneficial interests of the Directors in the ordinary shares of the Company as they will be shown in the report of Directors' interests submitted under the provisions of the Companies Act 1985, immediately following the Offer for Sale, will be as follows:

Director	Number of shares	Number of shares under option
P. G. D. Dinkelson	151,940	30,000
H. M. Lang	665,561	5,7
R. C. Murray	20,000	—
M. T. Samuels	27,400	—
V. J. Tupper	93,000	50,000
M. L. White	20,000	0

The options listed above will be granted under the Executive Scheme immediately following the Offer for Sale. J. G. Dinkelson, R. C. Murray and M. T. Samuels will be interested in 20, 20 and 45,000 ordinary shares respectively of certain trusts established for the benefit of employees R. C. Murray is also a Trustee of the Pension Funds (see sub-paragraph (b) above).

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors has any interest in the share capital of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

(b) The Directors have been notified that P. G. Dinkelson, W. J. Layland, R. C. Murray, J. M. Eaton and K. Thickett, who are the Trustees of the Pension Funds, are interested in such an amount of ordinary shares representing 5% of the issued ordinary share capital following the Offer for Sale.

Save as disclosed, the Directors are not aware of any person who, directly or indirectly, is or will be following the Offer for Sale, interested in 5% or more of the Company's issued ordinary shares or who directly or indirectly, jointly or severally, with another person or persons, or could exercise control over the Company.

(c) There are no outstanding loans granted by any company in the Group to any of the Directors nor any guarantees provided by any company in the Group for the benefit of such Directors.

(d) Save as referred to in paragraph 8 below, no Director of the Company has or has had any interest in any transactions which are or were material in their nature or conditions or significant to the business of the Group, and which were effected by the Company since 31 December 1984 or were effected before that date and remain in any respect outstanding or unperformed.

(e) **Directors' Employment Arrangements**  
No Director has a service contract with any company in the Group that is not due to expire or determined by the employing company without payment of compensation other than statutory compensation within one year from the date of such document.

(f) The aggregate of the basic remuneration paid and benefits in kind (including pension contributions) provided to the Directors by the Group for the year ended 31 December 1985 was £2,757,774 and the Directors also received £108,747 of profit-related bonuses. It is estimated that the aggregate of the basic remuneration to be paid and benefits in kind (including pension contributions) to be provided to the Directors in the current financial year under the arrangements in force at the date of this document will be approximately £2,000,000, before taking account of profit-related bonuses the amount of which cannot yet be ascertained.

(g) There is no arrangement under which any Director has agreed to waive future emoluments, nor has any Director waived any entitlements for the year ended 31 December 1985.

7. **Properties**  
The following is a summary of the Group's principal properties:

Property and description	Approximate area net floor space	Tenure and approximate unexpired term unless otherwise stated	Annual rent and review dates
Park House Estate, Wick Road, Egham, Surrey	14 acres 4 ares	Freehold	—
1st Floor, 89 Warwick Road, Solihull, Oxford	25,630 sq ft	Leasehold 14 years	£10,200 No further reviews
2nd Floor, 212 Washway Road, Sale, Greater Manchester	5,000 sq ft	Leasehold 22 1/2 years	£10,000 and over, five yearly reviews
1st Floor, 34 Parkside House, 40 Piccadilly, London W1	3,400 sq ft	Leasehold 3 months	£42,000 No further reviews

\*The Company has the benefit of an agreement for lease in respect of land and a proposed office buildings as referred to in paragraph 9(b) below.

8. **Offer for Sale Arrangements**  
(a) By an agreement dated 5 May 1986 (the Offer for Sale agreement) made between (1) the Company, (2) certain shareholders in the Company (the selling shareholders), (3) the Directors of the Company, and (4) Hoare Govett, Hoare Govett has agreed conditionally, inter alia, on the admission to the Official List of the ordinary shares of the Company not later than 22 May 1986 to act as the agent of the Company and the selling shareholders for the purpose of making the Offer for Sale of 4,369,620 ordinary shares. Hoare Govett will receive a fee of £17,500 for its services and an underwriting commission of a sum equal to 2% of the minimum tender price of the ordinary shares offered for sale, to be borne by the Company and the selling shareholders in the proportions specified in the Offer for Sale agreement. Out of this commission Hoare Govett will pay to the underwriters a commission of 1% of the minimum tender price. The Company has agreed to pay all the costs and expenses of the application for the whole of the ordinary share capital of the Company to be admitted to the Official List, other costs including the fees of legal advisers and Hoare Govett's legal advisers, the fees of the company accountants and the necessary agents and costs of printing, advertising and circulating the Offer for Sale documents together with value added tax where applicable, and the capital duty on the ordinary shares being issued by the Company in connection with the Offer for Sale. Warranties and indemnities have been given to Hoare Govett by the Company and the Directors jointly and severally and warrantages as to take have been given by the selling shareholders on a several basis.

(b) The selling shareholders and the number of ordinary shares being sold in the Offer for Sale are as follows:

Selling shareholder	Ordinary shares
H. M. Lang	60,000
M. T. Samuels	50,000
M. L. White	10,000
The Trustees of the P-E 1979 Pension Scheme	1,000,000
The Trustees of the Bannell (No. 2) Trust	650,000
Other shareholders	238,520
	2,914,420

(c) By a deed of indemnity dated 8 May 1986 made between (1) the Directors, (2) Hoare Govett, and (3) the Company and certain subsidiaries, the Directors have given indemnities in respect of capital transfer tax, inheritance tax, and income tax and certain other tax liabilities in favour of the Group.

(d) Pursuant to the Offer for Sale agreement, the Directors and certain of the selling shareholders have given undertakings to Hoare Govett restricting the sale of shares in the Company before the date of the preliminary announcement of the final results of the Group for its financial year ending 31 December 1986.

9. **Material Contracts**  
The following contracts, not being contracts in the ordinary course of business, have been entered into by the Company and its subsidiaries within the two years immediately preceding the date of this document and are or may be material to the Company's business:

(a) Agreements of various dates from 24 October 1985 to 12 March 1986 made between (1) Dial Contracts Limited ("Dial") and (2) the Company, whereby the Company sold cars to Dial for an aggregate consideration of £1,035,415 and agreed to sell to Dial a further 25 vehicles over a period of 3 years for a total which is currently £1,357,761 per month in respect of those vehicles remaining on hire.

(b) Agreement dated 2 Mar 1986 made between (1) Wick (Trustee Properties) Limited ("Wick"), (2) The Greater Manchester Residuary Body ("the RB") (3) the Company, and (4) London Metropolitan Estates Limited ("LME") (the Developer). Wick sold to the RB the freehold and leasehold interests in the property known as the Wick House, the RB sold to the Company the freehold and leasehold interests in the property known as the Wick House, the Company agreed to lease the land and building on full ground rent and to grant to Wick a lease of the building on full ground rent for a term of 25 years, the consideration for the lease was £1,775,000 of which £1,400,000 was paid to Wick on exchange of the agreement and the balance of £375,000 is to be paid to Wick by the RB by instalments over the term of the lease.

(c) The Offer for Sale agreement and the deed of indemnity referred to in paragraph 8 above.

10. **Taxation**  
(a) The Directors have been advised that the Company has not been a close company as defined in the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 since its accounting period ended on 31 December 1984.

(b) Clearance has been obtained from the Board of Inland Revenue, under section 464 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 in connection with the Offer for Sale and transactions related thereto.

(c) Under current UK taxation legislation no tax is withheld from dividend payments of the Company but the Company is liable to account to the Inland Revenue for an amount of advance corporation tax ("ACT") in respect of dividends received by the selling shareholders. The current rate of ACT is 20% of the dividend paid. The ACT liability represents 25% of the sum of the dividend plus the tax credit. United Kingdom resident individual shareholders must include the sum of the dividend and the tax credit to which they are entitled in arriving at their total income for UK income tax purposes. The tax credit may set against their overall income tax liability and to the extent that it exceeds their liability to tax, the excess will be carried forward. A UK resident corporate shareholder is not chargeable to UK tax on any dividend received. Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom may be entitled to a payment from the Inland Revenue of a proportion of the tax credit in respect of any dividends paid. Entitlement to such credit will depend on the provisions of any double tax convention or agreement existing between the country of residence of such shareholder and the United Kingdom. However, certain categories of individual shareholders who are not resident in the UK, for example British subjects and citizens of the Republic of Ireland may in certain circumstances be entitled to a tax credit in respect of dividends received from the UK. Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom should consult their own tax advisers as to their position on these matters.

(d) The Board of Inland Revenue has confirmed that the shareholders' provisions contained in schedule 16 to the Finance Act 1972 will not be applied to any company in the Group for accounting periods falling between 1 January 1980 and 31 December 1984.

11. **Working Capital**  
The Directors consider that, having regard to the Group's existing bank facilities and the proceeds of the Offer for Sale, the Group will have sufficient working capital for its present requirements.

12. **General**  
(a) No company in the Group is engaged in any legal or arbitration proceedings and no legal or arbitration proceedings are known to be pending or threatened against any company in the Group which may have a material effect on the 12 months prior to the date hereof or which may have a material effect on the Group's financial position.

(b) Save as disclosed in Note 16 to the Accounts Report, there has been no significant change in the trading or financial position of the Group since 31 December 1985, being the date to which the latest published audited accounts were made up.

(c) Price Waterhouse have given and not withdrawn their written consent to the issue of this document with the inclusion hereof of their report and the references thereto and to their name in the form and context in which they appear.

(d) Jones Lang Wootton have given and not withdrawn their written consent to the issue of this document with the inclusion hereof of their valuations and to their name in the form and context in which they appear.

(e) R. Watson & Sons have given and not withdrawn their written consent to the issue of this document with the inclusion hereof of their report and valuations and to their name in the form and context in which they appear.

(f) The debts to be borne by the Company in connection with the Offer for Sale are estimated at £265,000.

(g) The Offer for Sale is made by Hoare Govett, stockbroker, which is registered in England (No. 1212100) and has its registered office at 27, The Polygon, London EC2R 2AN.

(h) The principal place of business of the Company is at Park House, Wick Road, Egham, Surrey TW20 0HW.

(i) The financial information set out in this document does not comprise full accounts within the meaning of section 264 of the Companies Act 1985. Full accounts for each accounting reference period to which the financial information relates are delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The auditors have prepared a report on the accounts and each such report was an unqualified report within the meaning of section 265 of the Companies Act 1985. Apart from the information contained in the Accounts Report, no other information in this document is to be relied upon.

(j) In accordance with the normal principles of English law, the remedies available to persons acquiring shares which are being disposed of by the selling shareholders under the Offer for Sale agreement, details of which are set out in paragraph 8 above.

13. **Preliminary Applications Rights**  
Preliminary applications will be given to valid applications received on Employee Application Forms for an aggregate maximum of 435,000 ordinary shares approximately ten per cent of the shares now being offered for sale from employees of the Group, other than the executive Directors. Each employee may invest (specifying, if he or she wishes, a maximum purchase price per ordinary share) a maximum sum of £100 for ordinary shares to be allocated at the striking price under the Offer for Sale.

14. **Documents for Inspection**  
Preliminary applications will be given to valid applications received on Employee Application Forms for an aggregate maximum of 435,000 ordinary shares approximately ten per cent of the shares now being offered for sale from employees of the Group, other than the executive Directors. Each employee may invest (specifying, if he or she wishes, a maximum purchase price per ordinary share) a maximum sum of £100 for ordinary shares to be allocated at the striking price under the Offer for Sale.

(a) The memorandum and articles of association of the Company.

(b) The audited consolidated accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries for the two years ended 31 December 1985.

(c) The report of Price Waterhouse on their return together with a statement setting out the adjustments made by them in arriving at the figures shown in their report and the reasons therefor.

(d) The valuations of Jones Lang Wootton relating to the Park House estate referred to under Paragraphs and in the Accounts Report above.

(e) The report and valuation of R. Watson & Sons referred to under Paragraph 12 above.

(f) The written consents referred to in paragraph 12 above.

(g) The rules of the Executive Scheme referred to in paragraph 4(a) above.

(h) The draft rules of the Savings-Related Scheme referred to in paragraph 4(c) above.

(i) The trust deed and rules constituting the Profit-Sharing Scheme referred to in paragraph 4(c) above, and the material contracts referred to in paragraph 8 above.

8 May 1986

1. Put in Box 1 (in figures) the number of ordinary shares for which you are applying. Applications must be for a minimum of 200 ordinary shares or in one of the following multiples:  
— for more than 1,000 shares, in a multiple of 200 shares  
— for more than 1,000 shares, but not more than 10,000 shares, in a multiple of 1,000 or any multiple of 10,000 shares, but not more than 100,000 shares, in a multiple of 10,000 shares  
— for more than 100,000 shares, in a multiple of 50,000 shares

2. Put in Box 2 (in figures) the price you are willing to pay for each share. Applications must be made either at the minimum tender price of 165p per share or at any higher price which is a multiple of 5p.

3. Put in Box 3 (in figures) the amount you pay. The amount you pay is the price you have inserted in Box 2 multiplied by the number of shares inserted in Box 1.

4. Sign and date the Application Form in Box 4. The Application Form may be signed by someone else on your behalf (and/or co-signed if you elect application) if duly authorised to do so, but the power of attorney or duly certified copy, must be enclosed for signature. A corporation should sign under the hand of a duly authorised official whose representative capacity must be stated.

5. Put your full names and address in BLOCK CAPITALS in Box 5.

6. You must apply jointly with other persons. You must then arrange for the Application Form to be completed by or on behalf of all of the other joint applicants (up to a maximum of three). Their full names and addresses should be put in BLOCK CAPITALS in Box 6.

7. You must sign a separate cheque or bankers' draft to cover completed Application Form. Your cheque or bankers' draft must be made payable to "The Registrar, Companies Registration Services Limited". For the reasons stated end should be crossed "Not Negotiable". No receipt will be issued for this payment, which must be solely by the applicant. Your cheque or bankers' draft must be drawn in sterling on an account at a branch which must be in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, or a bank which is either a member of the group of banks known as the Clearing Banks or which has arranged for its cheques and bankers' drafts to be presented for payment through the clearing facilities provided for the members of those Clearing Banks (and must bear the appropriate clearing code number in the top right hand corner). Applications may be accompanied by a cheque drawn by someone other than the applicant. But any money to be received will be sent by crossed cheque in favour of the persons named in Box 5 and 6.

8. You must send the completed Application Form by post, or deliver it by hand, to The Registrar, Companies Registration Services Limited, 145 Ludlow Street, London EC2R 4DT so as to be received not later than 10 a.m. on Thursday, 15 May 1986 and 4.30 p.m. on Friday, 16 May 1986. If you post your Application Form, you should use first class post and allow at least two days for delivery.

**BASIS OF ACCEPTANCE AND DEALING ARRANGEMENTS**

The Application List will open at 10 a.m. on Thursday, 15 May 1986 and will close as soon thereafter as Hoare Govett Limited may determine. The Striking Price and the basis on which applications have been accepted will be announced as soon as possible after the Application List closes. It is expected that Letters of Acceptance will be granted to successful applicants not later than 21 May 1986 and that dealings in the ordinary shares will commence on Thursday, 22 May 1986.

Arrangements have been made for registration by the Company of all ordinary shares offered for sale. Share of stamp duty and registration fees in the names of applicants or persons in whose favour Letters of Acceptance are duly announced provided that, in cases of termination, Letters of Acceptance duly completed in accordance with the instructions contained therein are lodged for registration by 2 p.m. on 18 June 1986. Share certificates will be despatched on or about 15 July 1986.

Up to a total of 435,000 ordinary shares will in the first instance be made available at the Striking Price to meet applications from employees of the Group.

**Application Form To Hoare Govett Limited.**

Offer for Sale by Tenders by Hoare Govett Limited of 4,369,620 ordinary shares of 10p each at a minimum tender price of 165p per share, the price tendered being payable in full on application.

**P-E International plc**  
(Registered in England No. 287211)

I/we offer to acquire

1. **FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

2. **1. ACCEPTANCE**

3. **2. SHARE AGREEMENT**

4. **3. AMOUNT RECEIVED**

5. **4. AMOUNT PAID**

6. **5. AMOUNT RECEIVED**

7. **6. CHECK NUMBER**

ordinary shares of P-E International plc for such lesser number of shares in respect of which this application may be accepted at

per share or if lower at the Striking Price on the terms and subject to the conditions attaching to this application

and I/we attach a cheque or bankers' draft for the amount payable, namely

£

Dated: 1986

Signature

PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS

Mr. Mrs. Miss or title:  For official use only

Sumname

Address (in full)

Postcode

Fill in this section only when there is more than one applicant. The first or sole applicant should complete Box 5 and sign in Box 4. Insert below only the names and addresses of the second and subsequent applicants, each of whose signatures is required in Box 7.

PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS

Mr. Mrs. Miss or title For official use only

Sumname

Address

Postcode

Mr. Mrs. Miss or title For official use only

Sumname

Address

Postcode

**Terms and Conditions of Application**

(a) Acceptance of applications will be conditional upon the ordinary share capital of P-E International plc (the "Company"), issued and now being issued, being admitted to the Official List of The Stock Exchanges not later than 22nd May 1986. Cheques or bankers' drafts for amounts tendered may be presented for payment before that date and the application will be accepted and subject to the terms and conditions set out in this document, and if admission is not granted will be returned interest free by crossed cheque in favour of the applicant through the post at the risk of the applicant. It is expected that the ordinary shares will be admitted to the Official List on or before 22 May 1986.

(b) Hoare Govett Limited (Hoare Govett) reserves the right to reject in whole or in part or to scale down any application and in particular, multiple or suspended multiple applications. If any application is not accepted in whole or in part or is scaled down, or is accepted at a lower price than that tendered, the application monies or, as the case may be, the balance of the monies tendered, interest free, by crossed cheque in favour of the applicant through the post at the risk of the applicant.

(c) By completing and delivering an Application Form, you (as the applicant)

(i) offer to acquire the number of ordinary shares specified in your Application Form (or such smaller number for which the application is accepted) and subject to the terms and conditions set out in this document and subject to the issuing particulars relating to the Company dated 8 May 1986 ("the Issuing Particulars") and to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.

(ii) authorise The Registrar, Companies Registration Services Limited to send a Letter of Acceptance for the number of ordinary shares specified in your Application Form (or such smaller number for which the application is accepted) and to issue such Letter of Acceptance to you at the risk of the applicant. It is expected that the first named applicant as set out in the Application Form will be the person to whom the Letter of Acceptance will be issued and that the Letter of Acceptance will be issued to you at the risk of the applicant.

(iii) agree that, in consideration of the Company's agreeing to consider applications upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out in the Issuing Particulars, your Application Form may not be amended after 21 May 1986 and that this paragraph shall constitute a collateral contract between you and the Company which will become binding upon dispatch by post to or, as the case may be, receipt by the Registrar of Companies of your Application Form.

(iv) agree that completion and delivery of the Application Form shall constitute a warranty that your remittance will be honoured on presentation and further agree that any Letter of Acceptance and any monies receivable to you may be retained by The Registrar, Companies Registration Services Limited pending your completion of your remittance.

(v) agree that all applications, acceptances of applications and contracts resulting therefrom under this Offer for Sale shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English Law.

(vi) warrant that, if you sign the Application Form on behalf of somebody else, you have the authority to do so.

(vii) agree that you shall not be entitled at any time after acceptance of your application to exercise any right of rescission for reasons of unconscionable conduct, and

(viii) confirm that in making such application you are not relying on any information or representation other than those contained in the Issuing Particulars and you accordingly agree that no person responsible solely or jointly for the Issuing Particulars or any part thereof shall have any liability for any such other information or representation.

(d) Acceptance of applications will be effected by announcement of the basis of allocation to The Stock Exchange.

(e) No person receiving a copy of the Issuing Particulars or an Application Form, in any territory other than the United Kingdom, may use the same as constituting an invitation or offer to sell, or should be in any way used as such Form unless, in the relevant territory, such an invitation or offer to sell or offer to buy is permitted by law and is lawfully used without contravention of any restrictions or other legal requirements. Any person outside the United Kingdom who uses the Issuing Particulars or an Application Form in any territory other than the United Kingdom in connection therewith, including obtaining any requisite governmental or other consents, observing any other requisite formalities, and paying any issue, transfer or other taxes due in such territory.

Copies of the Issuing Particulars and Application Form can be obtained from:  
P-E International plc, Hoare Govett Limited, The Registrar, Companies Registration Services Limited, Park House, Wick Road, Egham, Surrey TW20 0HW, London WC1V 7PB.

The full Issuing Particulars will be published in The Financial Times and The Times on Friday, 9 May 1986.

**PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION**

**Offer for Sale by Tender**  
In an offer for sale by tender, an applicant may offer to buy shares either at the minimum tender price or at a higher price. The price at which all the shares are actually sold is known as the "Striking Price" which will be notified to the minimum tender price. If the number of shares offered for sale exceeds the number of shares offered, the Striking Price will be generally set at, or slightly below the highest price at which sufficient applications are received for the total number of shares on offer. If applications are received for less than the number of shares offered, the Striking Price will be the minimum tender price.

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# STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

## Late rally

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began April 28. Dealings end May 9. Contango day May 12. Settlement day May 19.  
Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

### Portfolio Gold

From your portfolio card check your eight share price movements. Add them up to give you your overall total. Check this against the daily dividend figure published on this page. If it matches you have won outright or a share of the total daily prize money stated. If you are a winner follow the claim procedure on the back of your card. You must always have your card available when claiming.

No.	Company	Group	Gain or Loss
1	Kodak	Electronics	
2	FR Group	Motor/Aircraft	
3	Rodmans Glass	Industrials L-R	
4	Bentley	Drugs/Stores	
5	Electronics	Electronics	
6	Strat Chem	Chemicals/Pha	
7	Parl Motor	Motor/Aircraft	
8	Tipton	Motor/Aircraft	
9	SNIA RPD	Chemicals/Pha	
10	Bea	Chemicals/Pha	
11	MS Int	Industrials L-R	
12	Magnet & South	Building/Roads	
13	Rice Bros	Bank/Discount	
14	Reed Executive	Industrials L-R	
15	Allied-Lyons	Breweries	
16	Ellis & Everard	Chemicals/Pha	
17	Crysalis	Electronics	
18	Dark Place	Industrials L-R	
19	James & Simpson	Industrials L-R	
20	Hallam & Simpson	Industrials L-R	
21	Fabell	Industrials L-R	
22	Carter (S)	Drugs/Stores	
23	Nichols (UK/Vinco)	Food	
24	Rever	Industrials L-R	
25	Aberdeen Constr	Building/Roads	
26	Norona	Industrials L-R	
27	Wood (Arthur)	Industrials L-R	
28	Berkley Tech	Finance/Leas	
29	Morgan Crucible	Industrials L-R	
30	Howden (John)	Building/Roads	
31	Harley & Hanson	Breweries	
32	Stockdale	Industrials L-R	
33	Terrill	Building/Roads	
34	Lea Refrigeration	Electronics	
35	Reynolds	Industrials L-R	
36	Nelson	Industrials L-R	
37	Nat Asst Bk	Bank/Discount	
38	Cardiff Prop	Property	
39	Standard Firearms	Industrials L-R	
40	Sunlight Plastics	Chemicals/Pha	
41	Longdon Ind	Industrials L-R	
42	Suter	Industrials L-R	
43	Br Beaud	Chemicals/Pha	
44	RHP	Industrials L-R	

Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £16,000 in tomorrow's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN

### BRITISH FUNDS

High	Low	Close	Change	%
100	95	98	+3	3.0
105	100	102	+2	1.9
110	105	108	+3	2.7
115	110	112	+2	1.7
120	115	118	+3	2.5
125	120	122	+2	1.6
130	125	128	+3	2.3
135	130	132	+2	1.5
140	135	138	+3	2.1
145	140	142	+2	1.4
150	145	148	+3	2.0
155	150	152	+2	1.3
160	155	158	+3	1.9
165	160	162	+2	1.2
170	165	168	+3	1.8
175	170	172	+2	1.1
180	175	178	+3	1.7
185	180	182	+2	1.1
190	185	188	+3	1.6
195	190	192	+2	1.0
200	195	198	+3	1.5

### FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

High	Low	Close	Change	%
100	95	98	+3	3.0
105	100	102	+2	1.9
110	105	108	+3	2.7
115	110	112	+2	1.7
120	115	118	+3	2.5
125	120	122	+2	1.6
130	125	128	+3	2.3
135	130	132	+2	1.5
140	135	138	+3	2.1
145	140	142	+2	1.4
150	145	148	+3	2.0
155	150	152	+2	1.3
160	155	158	+3	1.9
165	160	162	+2	1.2
170	165	168	+3	1.8
175	170	172	+2	1.1
180	175	178	+3	1.7
185	180	182	+2	1.1
190	185	188	+3	1.6
195	190	192	+2	1.0
200	195	198	+3	1.5

### OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

High	Low	Close	Change	%
100	95	98	+3	3.0
105	100	102	+2	1.9
110	105	108	+3	2.7
115	110	112	+2	1.7
120	115	118	+3	2.5
125	120	122	+2	1.6
130	125	128	+3	2.3
135	130	132	+2	1.5
140	135	138	+3	2.1
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150	145	148	+3	2.0
155	150	152	+2	1.3
160	155	158	+3	1.9
165	160	162	+2	1.2
170	165	168	+3	1.8
175	170	172	+2	1.1
180	175	178	+3	1.7
185	180	182	+2	1.1
190	185	188	+3	1.6
195	190	192	+2	1.0
200	195	198	+3	1.5

### UNDATED

High	Low	Close	Change	%
100	95	98	+3	3.0
105	100	102	+2	1.9
110	105	108	+3	2.7
115	110	112	+2	1.7
120	115	118	+3	2.5
125	120	122	+2	1.6
130	125	128	+3	2.3
135	130	132	+2	1.5
140	135	138	+3	2.1
145	140	142	+2	1.4
150	145	148	+3	2.0
155	150	152	+2	1.3
160	155	158	+3	1.9
165	160	162	+2	1.2
170	165	168	+3	1.8
175	170	172	+2	1.1
180	175	178	+3	1.7
185	180	182	+2	1.1
190	185	188	+3	1.6
195	190	192	+2	1.0
200	195	198	+3	1.5

### INDEX-LINKED

High	Low	Close	Change	%
100	95	98	+3	3.0
105	100	102	+2	1.9
110	105	108	+3	2.7
115	110	112	+2	1.7
120	115	118	+3	2.5
125	120	122	+2	1.6
130	125	128	+3	2.3
135	130	132	+2	1.5
140	135	138	+3	2.1
145	140	142	+2	1.4
150	145	148	+3	2.0
155	150	152	+2	1.3
160	155	158	+3	1.9
165	160	162	+2	1.2
170	165	168	+3	1.8
175	170	172	+2	1.1
180	175	178	+3	1.7
185	180	182	+2	1.1
190	185	188	+3	1.6
195	190	192	+2	1.0
200	195	198	+3	1.5

### BANKS DISCOUNT HP

High	Low	Close	Change	%
100	95	98	+3	3.0
105	100	102	+2	1.9
110	105	108	+3	2.7
115	110	112	+2	1.7
120	115	118	+3	2.5
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195	190	192	+2	1.0
200	195	198	+3	1.5

### BREWERIES

High	Low	Company	Price	Change	%	PE
100	95	Adnoca	100	+5	5.0	15.2
105	100	Beck's	105	+5	4.8	14.8
110	105	Carlsberg	110	+5	4.5	14.5
115	110	Heineken	115	+5	4.3	14.3
120	115	Kingfisher	120	+5	4.2	14.2
125	120	Miller	125	+5	4.0	14.0
130	125	Stout	130	+5	3.8	13.8
135	130	Tennent	135	+5	3.7	13.7
140	135	Watney	140	+5	3.6	13.6
145	140	Windsor	145	+5	3.5	13.5

### BUILDINGS AND ROADS

High	Low	Company	Price	Change	%	PE
100	95	Amey	100	+5	5.0	15.2
105	100	Bechtel	105	+5	4.8	14.8
110	105	Carillion	110	+5	4.5	14.5
115	110	Chambers	115	+5	4.3	14.3
120	115	Costain	120	+5	4.2	14.2
125	120	Heidelberg	125	+5	4.0	14.0
130	125	James	130	+5	3.8	13.8
135	130	McAlpine	135	+5	3.7	13.7
140	135	Parsons	140	+5	3.6	13.6
145	140	Skanska	145	+5	3.5	13.5

### FINANCE AND LAND

High	Low	Company	Price	Change	%	PE
100	95	Abn-Amro	100	+5	5.0	15.2
105	100	Barclays	105	+5	4.8	14.8
110	105	Bank of Scotland	110	+5	4.5	14.5
115	110	First Direct	115	+5	4.3	14.3
120	115	Halifax	120	+5	4.2	14.2
125	120	London & Lancashire	125	+5	4.0	14.0
130	125	Paragon	130	+5	3.8	13.8
135	130	Prudential	135	+5	3.7	13.7
140	135	TSB	140	+5	3.6	13.6
145	140	Yorkshire	145	+5	3.5	13.5

### FOODS

High	Low	Company	Price	Change	%	PE
100	95	ABF	100	+5	5.0	15.2
105	100	Asda	105	+5	4.8	14.8
110	105	Asda Food	110	+5	4.5	14.5
115	110	Asda Super	115	+5	4.3	14.3
120	115	Asda Super	120	+5	4.2	14.2
125	120	Asda Super	125	+5	4.0	14.0
130	125	Asda Super	130	+5	3.8	13.8
135	130	Asda Super	135	+5	3.7	13.7
140	135	Asda Super	140	+5	3.6	13.6
145	140	Asda Super	145	+5	3.5	13.5

### HOTELS AND CATERERS

High	Low	Company	Price	Change	%	PE
100	95	Accor	100	+5	5.0	15.2
105	100	Accor	105	+5	4.8	14.8
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Keeping a check on the 'write-offs'

Not before time the insurance companies are preparing to take action to control the unscrupulous use of "written off" cars to provide new identities for stolen vehicles.

The police computer provides an instant check on stolen car numbers but has nothing comparable on "write-offs".

The problem for the insurance industry is the huge amount of money tied up in "write-offs". It is reported that 150,000 cars involved annually in accidents are found by insurance companies to be uneconomical to repair or unacceptable when repaired by the policy holder.

"Find-A-Part", the Norwich based clearing house used by firms recycling parts, says the main bone of contention within the dismantling industry is the high prices being asked for cars which have a chance of being repaired legitimately.

It would like to see the documents of cars sold for breaking down sent directly to the Driving and Vehicle Licensing Centre at Swansea for destruction.

Two insurance companies have come up with their own answers. Last April General Accident opened its own dismantling plant in a converted bus depot.

Unless the insurance companies put their own houses in order, they could find themselves facing preemptive action by the Home Office.



Nissan Bluebird: Clean practical lines

present vicious circle where insurance companies pay out every year for thousands of cars stolen to match the description of wrecks already bought from the same insurers and awaiting an identity swap.

Better drivers

Driving at least one different car each week and covering up to 20,000 accident free miles a year on British and Continental roads would seem to suggest that I am a reasonable competent driver.

With that in mind I went to Nottinghamshire Police Driving School recently to let one of their senior instructors run the rule over my technique.

Within 50 yards I was in trouble for doing 40mph in a 30mph zone. I had not passed a 30mph sign but I had overlooked streetlights which should have told me that the country lane through the quiet village of Epperstone was speed restricted.

I was also criticized for changing down too soon when slowing. "That is what the brakes are for not the gears" Sergeant John Davis chided.

"You must get into the habit of thinking as far ahead as possible. Make your mind concentrate on everything happening around you. It soon becomes a habit. Sloppy driving comes from sloppy thinking."

"I was done for driving without due care and attention last year in the middle of the miner's strike. I had a lot on my mind and let it wander for a second but that was enough. I knew I had done wrong but I believe I am a

better driver as a result of that experience." I hope that does not mean I need an accident to sharpen up my own reflexes and make me a better driver.

Road Test

Nissan Bluebird

Nissan insist that there will be nothing to choose between the quality of the cars assembled at their new £60 million British plant and those imported from Japan.

The only notchback (booted) Nissan Bluebirds on sale in Britain will come from Washington. As a temporary measure, however, some are being imported, so I have just taken the opportunity of driving one for a week to establish a yardstick by which to judge Washington's quality.

The new front wheel drive Bluebird is unashamedly Nissan's Cortina. It is intended to repeat the Ford's phenomenal success as a fleet and company car by offering proven mechanical reliability in a roomy five-seat body shorn of the frills excesses of some of its more recent rivals.

The 1.6 LX model will be the biggest fleet seller in the 15-strong Bluebird line up and if the one which appeared in my drive recently is typical it is a well finished, competent contender.

The styling is rather blunter than the latest offerings from European manufacturers but its clean, practical lines are business-like. I wish I could say the same for its engine. First seen in the now defunct Stanzia, it was never a very powerful unit.

The bigger Bluebird is performance medicine. One of the problems appears to be

the high gearing which makes it frugal on petrol but sends you grabbing for the gear lever much too frequently.

Nissan have a 1.8 litre version on the way. It should be here later this month and for an extra £200 will make a more lively car. I suspect that the 1.6 will be the fleet car while the private buyer will choose the 1.8.

A bonus for business users is the double trip meter. Mileage allowances can be calculated on a single journey and also over the week or month as a whole.

The 1.6 makes up for some of its shortcomings by its remarkable smoothness. The absence of vibration and coarseness makes the car seem lower than it is. 12.9 seconds for 0-60mph was good for the class only a few years ago. Today it is over two seconds

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STRATFORD

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- 6.0 TYSONE NOVICE HURDLE (4-Y-O: £798: 2m) (17 runners)
1 1400 BRITANNIA (M) M 11-10 P Scudmore
2 1100 BRANAGHAN (S) C Training 11-3 A Sharpe

Stratford selections

6.0 Bel Course, 6.30 Pommandry, 7.0 Indameloxy, 7.30 Ardree, 8.0 Miss Nero, 8.30 Mi Dad.

6.30 WINDERTON NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (€1,024: 2m) (8)

- 7 3020 OLIVER ANTHONY N Gales 5-11-7 P Scudmore
8 4930 PUMPERNICKEL F Winter 7-11-4 B on Ham
9 1010 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

7.0 PRAGNELL TROPHY (€1,932: 2m 6f) (14)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

HUNTINGDON

Going: good to firm

- 6.0 GODMANCHESTER NOVICE HANDICAP HURDLE (€735: 2m 220yd) (52 runners)
1 POP GLASSINGTON GIRL G 4-10-10 R Scudmore
2 2104 LITTLE SLOOP D Nicholson 4-11-7 R Scudmore

Huntingdon selections

6.0 Cruden Bay, 6.30 Pukka Major, 7.0 Weight Problem, 7.30 Rocky's Gal, 8.0 Sunny May, 8.30 Centaur Song.

6.30 RAMSEY NOVICE CHASE (€1,600: 2m 100yd) (14)

- 1 2841 HUNYAK HOUSE V Matthews 5-11-12 T Healey
2 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

7.0 HUNTINGDON NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (€1,024: 2m 4f) (10)

- 4 5200 STEEL VIGOR J Gifford 5-11-7 E Murphy (S)
7 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer
8 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer

7.30 CHATTER NOVICE HURDLE (€1,242: 2m 200yd) (22)

- 1 4632 CANTERVA GAL M Dwyer C James 7-11-10 C Cox (S)
2 1100 BRANAGHAN (S) C Training 11-3 A Sharpe
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7.30 COLLERS, BIGWOOD & BEWLEY NOVICE CHASE (€2,856: 3m 2f) (12)

- 3 3750 GALESDALE (S) N Gales 7-11-4 B on Ham
8 1271 ARDESSE (S) D Woodhead 6-11-0 M Hammond
11 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer

8.0 JIM SLATER CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICE HANDICAP HURDLE (€344: 2m 6f) (19)

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2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
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8.30 WHICHFORD HANDICAP HURDLE (€1,242: 2m) (20)

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2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

8.30 MARCH HANDICAP CHASE (€1,932: 3m 100yd) (10)

- 1 4794 MASTER TROUBLE D J Thom 10-12-2 C Cox
2 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer
3 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer

RACING



The grey Brunico (right), pulled off a 33-1 shock when beating the hot favourite, Shardless, by one and a half lengths in yesterday's feature race at Chester, the Ormiston Stakes.

Primary can make amends

Guy Harwood looks to have a vintage crop of three-year-olds this season and the Pulborough trainers have high expectations of a treble in this age group at Lingfield Park today when he runs Primary (2.15).

LINGFIELD PARK

Going: good to soft. Draw advantage doubtful.

- 2.15 HAWTHORN EBF STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,841: 1m 6f) (8 runners)
1 1400 BRITANNIA (M) M 11-10 P Scudmore
2 1100 BRANAGHAN (S) C Training 11-3 A Sharpe

Lingfield selections

2.15 PRIMARY (nap), 2.45 Fairgreen, 3.15 Merdon Melody, 3.45 Mubkir, 4.15 Sunny Liz, 4.45 Torrey, 5.15 Vianora, 5.45 Reigebane.

3.15 CHARLES HEIDSECK CHAMPAGNE HANDICAP (P-C: £2,771: 6f) (14)

- 2 0000 DREAM CHASER (S) J 6-11-3 P Cox (S)
3 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer
4 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer

3.45 ROBERTS MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,876: 6f) (17)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

4.15 GINEVRA STAKES (Div 1: 3-Y-O: £2,288: 7f) (18)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

4.45 MAY HANDICAP (€2,098: 7f 140yd) (20)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

5.15 GINEVRA STAKES (Div 2: 3-Y-O: £2,288: 7f) (15)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

5.45 GINEVRA STAKES (Div 1: 3-Y-O: £2,288: 7f) (15)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

HAMILTON PARK

Going: heavy. Draw: 5-6-1, middle to high numbers best.

- 2.15 LEVY BOARD MAIDEN APPRENTICE STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,388: 1m 40yd) (10 runners)
1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham

4.15 SCOTTISH RIFLES HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £1,838: 1m 40yd) (13)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

4.45 LORD LYNDONCH MAIDEN STAKES (€1,138: 1m 3f) (8)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

5.15 CAMERONIANS HANDICAP (€1,756: 1m 4f) (10)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

NEWTON ABBOT

Going: good to soft. 2.30 M & W NOVICE HURDLE (€1,627: 2m 5f 110yd) (18 runners)

- 4 0211 SPORTING BANNER M C Pigg 4-11-7 P Scudmore
11 012 AGRA KNIGHT (S) J A Cox 4-11-0 G Gaudin
12 4480 ASTON BANK P Hodge 5-10-15 J Frost

Newton Abbot selections

2.30 Sporting Banner, 3.0 Cinema, 3.30 Seaford Lord, 4.0 Shining, 4.30 High Reef, 5.0 Christian Schod.

3.0 MISSELBROOK & WESTON LTD NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (€2,731: 2m 150yd) (8)

- 3 0001 GMA J A Cox 5-11-7 P Scudmore
4 012 AGRA KNIGHT (S) J A Cox 4-11-0 G Gaudin
5 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer

3.30 M & W LANDMARK CASH & CARRY HANDICAP HURDLE (€2,284: 2m 150yd) (13)

- 2 0100 AVEON (S) C P Whitten 5-11-7 W Kline (S)
3 0001 GMA J A Cox 5-11-7 P Scudmore
4 012 AGRA KNIGHT (S) J A Cox 4-11-0 G Gaudin

5.15 CAMERONIANS HANDICAP (€1,756: 1m 4f) (10)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
3 4212 NEW BRIDGE (S) C 7-11-3 R Scudmore

4.30 M & W NOVICE HANDICAP HURDLE (€2,711: 2m 150yd) (11)

- 3 0000 WARRIOR UNCLE (S) D H Robinson
4 0211 SPORTING BANNER M C Pigg 4-11-7 P Scudmore
5 0702 WEIGHT PROBLEM Jansen 9-10-13 R Dwyer

5.15 CAMERONIANS HANDICAP (€1,756: 1m 4f) (10)

- 1 0323 THE COUNTY STONE (S) J 2m 9-11-12 H Davies
2 3300 SUTTON PRINCE F Winter 6-11-3 B on Ham
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Pradier struggles

Pradier completed a treble with a narrow success over Altayan in the Prix de la Couronne at Longchamp yesterday, but it was not a particularly convincing performance and he remains a 16-1 chance for the Derby.

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Blinkered first time. Lingfield, 2.45. Robbar, 5.45 M. Mubkir, 4.15. Sunny Liz, 4.45. Torrey, 5.15. Vianora, 5.45. Reigebane.

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SPORTS COMMENTARY

FOOTBALL: WHILE THE RED STAR OVER EUROPE FLASHES A WARNING, THE BLUE STAR OF MERSEYSIDE RISES TO THE WEMBLEY CHALLENGE

Barcelona pay the penalty for setting out to entertain

David Miller

I am pleased for Steaua of Bucharest in becoming the first club from Eastern Europe to win the most important European club trophy, but dismayed at much of the details in yet another standard final. The last one worthy of the name was nine years ago, when Liverpool won it in Rome. Wednesday night's final was fascinating only for professionals intent upon ob-

What a bitter conclusion it was for Terry Venables and the club's millions of emotional followers. I was there in Bernau in 1961 when Barcelona, reaching the final after five years of standing in the shadow of Madrid's triumphs, played the best half hour of football I have ever seen. Kubala, Suarez, Cazor and Kocsis hitting the bar and posts five times but losing 3-2 to Benfica. Now, after all the years of hope and failure, of countless managers and great players imported at phenomenal expense, here they were again.

A tarnished prize for Bucharest

In their downtown hotel Steaua's players were hardly noticed among the American tourists fretting about tomorrow's schedule. The difficulty for most outstanding Eastern teams from Ujpest, Ferencvaros, Dacia and Red Star of Belgrade has been that the new season after their winter break coincides with the quarter-final stages. Partizan of Belgrade alone had reached the final. Now Steaua, with some technically accomplished players, have made history. Yet to do so thanks to the lottery of a penalty shoot-out after having four men booked tarnishes the prize.

Barcelona's tears, on the other hand, ought to be dried by the recollection of being fortunate three times over to have reached the final, for their passage against Spartak of Prague, Juventus and Gornjiborski had been littered with luck. Having survived, they gave the appearance in the final of men too wound-up by tension or the financial bonus that was at stake. Or both. They played below capacity against cleverly negative opposition who, time-wasting after only 20 minutes, were clearly content to wait for extra time or even penalties if necessary. Worried about the pace of Carrasco and Marcos and left-back Alberto, Steaua would only counter-attack from midfield: which at times they did superbly.

Schuster's fitness a crucial factor

The key to Barcelona's performance, or lack of it, was Schuster's evident shortage of fitness. This marvelous player who had dominated the winning of the Spanish championship last year, had made only a partial recovery from the injury which has dogged him and Barcelona's whole season. While the fouls were flying in the first half hour, he hit several peerless long balls which had Steaua scurrying back like rabbits, and in the quarter of an hour before half-time he headed narrowly over but within minutes of the start of the second half it was apparent that Schuster had stopped running. Balint, Majoru and Balan poured into the midfield spaces left behind Schuster, and Victor and Pedraza, neither having better than an average performance, could not compensate. In the next 20 minutes Steaua could have won the match, and Venables took a calculated risk in leaving Schuster on the field until six minutes before the end of normal time. Fears about inadequate handling of the World Cup next month were increased. Michel Vautrot, of France, one of the game's more alert referees, rightly warned the captains after half an hour of mutual indiscipline. Yet when Barmes mockingly applauded M. Vautrot when booked in extra time he should have been sent off. While we tolerate moral boogymen on the field, we can hardly complain about violence on the terraces.

From Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent, Seville

At midnight, an hour after the European Cup final had ended here, a man stood on the edge of the penalty area in an otherwise empty stadium, looking as if he were about to take a penalty. For a minute he stood there motionless before shaking his head in disbelief and shuffling away.

He could not understand how, after the end of extra time and a goalless draw, his Catalonian heroes had failed to convert any of their four penalties. Barcelona, in front of 70,000 spectators, all but support them, thus lost the trophy by two penalties to nil - that they had seemed destined to win.

Yet Steaua Bucharest, initially almost overwhelmed by the hostile atmosphere and by their opponents, had nothing to lose. If they had been beaten, even by a significant margin, no one would have been surprised. After all, no East European side had won the European Cup in three decades.

In marking the end of one lengthy sequence, the Romanians continued another. Only once in the last nine years has moved more than one goal been scored within the limits of normal time in the final. In 1984 Liverpool defeated Rome, also on penalties, at the home of the opposition after a 1-1 draw.

The final has been a comparative disappointment since Liverpool's victory over Borussia Monchengladbach in 1977. Wednesday night's tactical chess game was no less than Barcelona's manager, Terry Venables, expected. He was aware, particularly after last year's dark events in Brussels, that the occasion had to be bright.

But he admitted that "everybody nowadays has reached such a high level of efficiency that it is entertaining is very difficult." He wanted his team

Reprieve for Blackpool

Blackpool, struggling financially and facing closure, were thrown a lifeline yesterday after local councillors had earlier voted to take no action on the club's request for £50,000 to guarantee football at Bloomfield Road next season. A special meeting of Blackpool's full council, called immediately afterwards, overturned the decision and agreed to make an interest-free loan of

Champions given the seal of approval

Non-League Football, By Paul Newman

For the first time under the current system of entry into the Gola League, the champions of all three "feeder" leagues look certain to be admitted this summer.

Gateshead (Multi-part League) and Welling United (Southern League) have both been accepted after passing ground inspections. Sutton United (Vauxhall-Opel League) will be visited by Gola League officials next week and their ground is believed to meet or exceed the required standards. In previous seasons at least one of the three champion clubs have not been promoted either because they did not want to move or because their facilities were unacceptable.

Gateshead, who share their town's international athletics stadium, did not expect any problems with the application as they were members of the Gola League until being relegated a year ago. Welling, however, have had to improve their ground substantially this season and have been admitted only on the understanding that they make a number of further minor alterations. The promotion of three clubs and the relegation of one club to each of the three feeder leagues (relegated clubs are always given the option of returning to their former leagues) means that there will be no problems this summer in redistributing clubs

ATHLETICS

Parsons scales heights for another record

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

Geoff Parsons added another centimetre to his United Kingdom high jump record, with 2.27 metres in a match at Crystal Palace on Wednesday. Parsons was successful on his second attempt and, considering the cold and blustery conditions and the fact he failed marginally at 2.31 metres, looks certain to repeat his winter's indoor best of 2.30 metres. This is his third British record.

Another excellent performance in the Southern Counties v RAF v West London Institute match was the 1min 47.65sec victory for John Gladwin in the 800 metres. There was a fine comeback for Steve Cram's second place with 1:48.27. Crabb had two victories over Steve Cram during the 1984 season, but missed last year with



Feast of Steven: the Everton midfielder player is the man to exploit a flaw on Liverpool's left side, says David Pleat

Confidence and balance of Everton impresses Pleat

By Clive White

You would have thought by now Evertonians would be numb to the sight of Liverpool celebrating another success. Not so. Every recent word of praise for Kenny Dalglish and his merry men has been like a personal insult to Everton. Knowing that Liverpool are still the superior has been pulling enough over the years but having to hand over the title to them when you firmly believe you are still the best, has meant a new kind of depression for the Blues.

Consequently, Everton see tomorrow's FA Cup final as the opportunity to put the record straight before millions of witnesses. Of course there will always be sceptics, even among Everton fanatics. Like the one who told Howard Kendall, Everton's manager, before the final against Sheffield Wednesday that he hoped Everton would lose because he could not face them being beaten by Liverpool at Wembley.

Everton remain convinced that they lost their title by default. They were caught half watching instead of watching the opposition. Like Coe when slow to counter Overt's burst in the Moscow Olympics 800m, so Everton were taken by surprise by the famous Liverpool kick which gathered 34 points from the last 36.

Everton feel they could have and should have pulled out that little extra which would have given even Liverpool too much to do. They led Liverpool by 11 points as near to the finish as March 1. Lineker's goal supply dried up at the worst possible moment due to a variety of injury problems. As a Liverpool colleague said: "When he's fit he scores goals."

If it was lack of experience which cost Everton victory in football's equivalent to the marathon, over the short distance of cup football they have not been found wanting. This will be their third successive FA Cup final and their sixth appearance at Wembley in three seasons. No one has ever trodden with such familiarity on the sacred turf as this Everton side, and been beaten on it only once. They have developed what their manager likes to describe,

Mountfield doubt

Derek Mountfield's swollen knee could force Everton into a dramatic defensive reshuffle for tomorrow's FA Cup final. The 23-year-old centre half has been unable to train this week and is still undergoing intensive treatment.

When the former Tranmere Rovers defender was out of action earlier in the season, Everton tried various permutations before introducing young £50,000 signing from Scunthorpe, Pointon, at full back, and switching Van den Hauwe into the centre. But Pointon, his ankle in plaster, is a non-starter, and Kendall would be forced to give the former Liverpool reserve, Alan Harper, an unexpected recall.

After another famous Toffi forms as a never-say-die attitude. No one has tested this quality more to their cost in last two seasons than Luton Town. Last season they led Everton until the latter stages of their semi-final before losing in extra time. This season, at the quarter-final stage, they led the champions by two goals before Everton pulled level and then won narrowly in a replay. Yet David Pleat, Luton's manager, remains a big admirer.

"A succession of victories has bred an almost arrogant confidence in them," Pleat said. "The start of this success is romantically traced back to a Milk Cap tie at Oxford on January 18, 1984, when Heath stole in on an errant back pass by Brock to force a replay. But Pleat cites the appointment of Colin Harvey as coach as the turning point.

He added: "Today Everton comprise all the features of the traditional English game. They can play it short or long. They're very well balanced, particularly now they've got their back four together again and Shedy repositioned to the left. I liken him to a Leicester, who used to play for Ipswich in the late 50s. A canny player. Tactically it is very difficult for forballing sides like Liverpool and ourselves to get their game going against them. They push out so quickly from

defence, they don't let you breathe."

Pleat sees Steven as the key figure in tomorrow's final. "If there is a chink anywhere in Liverpool's armour it is on the left side of defence. Steven has the ability if he stays wide and does not fill midfield too much to unsettle Beglin. On the other hand, Johnston against Van den Hauwe could be interesting, but I think the Everton player can handle his pace."

For all Luton's disappointments at the hands of Everton it is the former champions who now have more cause to curse the small Bedfordshire club. Kendall believes the title was lost there.

"Everton can afford to leave out valuable players like Heath, Wilkinson, Pointon and until recently Mimmus," Pleat observed. "Liverpool will be leaving out Walsh, Wark and McMahon or MacDonald. And if Lawrenson doesn't play then, any word, we are improving our defence. I'm not against it, but certain other clubs won't be able to get near them because they can maintain standards through a group of players."

Certainly, they are in a position to be able to make big profits on big signings. Lineker cost Everton £800,000 less than 12 months ago, yet Kendall was unimpressed with an alleged £2 million offer from Barcelona for the player.

But for the moment Kendall will tell you that money is of secondary importance as they and Liverpool head for a share in record receipts of £14 million at Wembley. He needs to beat Dalglish before he starts having nightmares about his neighbour. Like many he agrees that the Dalglish's return to the Liverpool team was the most influential factor in the League trophy moving home the short distance across Stanley Park.

He now shares with Liverpool supporters the dream of Dalglish leading out his team at Wembley in his first season as manager. Except that in Kendall's dream Dalglish is wearing a lounge suit, not his kit.

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# Richards runs riot as Somerset go in search of points

By Alan Gibson

TALNTON: Glamorgan with eight first innings wickets standing are 274 runs behind Somerset.

Somerset began at 126 for one and a marvellous century by Richards enabled them to declare just after lunch at 300 for four, having achieved their fourth batting point. Hardy was caught at the wicket off Thomas for 34. Richards then came in, and scored 100 in 48 balls.

Strange though it may seem it was not an especially exciting innings for those accustomed to Richards. There were few unusual strokes. He just hit the ball for four or six whenever and wherever he felt like it. He was particularly severe upon Ontong, but this was not because Ontong bowled worse than the others, just that he caught Richards in the mood more often.

In 1921 MacCarthy, the Australian, scored 345 in a day at Trent Bridge against Nottinghamshire and a local supporter named it up as "bloody monotonous." I can see what he meant. Flawlessness can be boring.

Roebuck at the other end was flawed and, therefore, not boring, though he wisely gave the rampaging Richards as much of the bowling as he could. He had a tactical problem to consider, especially when Richards was stumped just after reaching his century from a dash down the pitch - feeling no doubt his contribution was sufficient for the day.

Richards's dismissal made it 245 for three, of which Roebuck, the captain, had scored a faithful 49. There was a case for him declaring straight away, or at least at lunch, in the hope of a suitable response from Glamorgan; there was also a case for him batting on for 400 and hoping to bowl out the opposition twice (this, I think, is what Close would have done). At lunch the score was 294 for four and Roebuck decided to bat on until the fourth point was secured, then declared immediately.

This was probably a sensible compromise since the sky was grey and there had already been several splutters of rain.

Every point was worthwhile. Glamorgan lost two quick wickets to Garner, Hopkins and Morris both caught in the slips, and were 26 for two when the rain really settled in.

Garner bowled sharply, even for him, as though someone had suggested he was not as quick as Thomas - or had reminded him it was his benefit year.

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# Athey at his best Yorkshire foiled by Lenham

By Peter Marson

Gloucestershire were among those counties fortunate enough to sidestep rain, with Lamb and rain which disrupted the Britannia Assurance championship programme yesterday. Setting out in the morning against Northamptonshire at Northampton, they were strongly placed at 348 for four for 97 overs with Athey 144 not out and Curran an undefeated 13. These two pushed on by 53 runs, pocketing a third bonus point, before Craveny declared at 301 for four.

Along the way, Athey's fifth wicket partnership with Curran had yielded 110 runs from 30 overs and taken him past 170, his score against Derbyshire last season, in his best championship performance, in a stay of six hours and nine minutes.

Gloucestershire's left arm fast medium bowler, Sainsbury, who had taken seven wickets for 38 in the first innings of the corresponding match last season, threatened to give an encore as he prised out Storie and Boyd-Moss with 16 runs on the board. Cook and Lamb helped Northamptonshire turn an awkward corner.

In the afternoon the mood of the batsmen altered dramatically, which seemed to indicate either that they had lunched well, or that they had become aware of Alan Smith's presence.

# Dilley's hat-trick alerts selectors

By Ivo Tennant

With his last ball before lunch Dilley removed Fletcher, also caught in the slips as if offering catching practice. There comes a time for every batsman when reflexes fail them against pace on account of advancing years. So said, Fletcher has reached that time.

Essex were now 156 for five. Forty minutes immediately after lunch were lost for rain. When Dilley resumed, he had Dilley caught at first slip off his first ball and East in the gully off his second, both batsmen hanging their bats out. In 23 deliveries the former England fast bowler had taken five for 18.

Pringle was run out chasing a quick single and Alderman wrapped up the innings, finishing with four for 59. Kent got away to a useful start before Lever struck. Hinks shouldered arms and was bowled. Benson sliced to gully, Tavaré was taken one-handed by East and Taylor was left before.

Lenham hit nine fours and was seventh out in the 51st over when he tried to on-drive Hartley and gave the bowler a low, return catch. This was the third of four wickets Sussex lost in consecutive overs after tea.

The only support Lenham received came from Alan Wells, who shared a third wicket stand of 85 in 27 overs. Rain delayed the start for 75 minutes and Sussex took 27 minutes and Parker. Green edged a low catch to first slip; Parker played a ball, which kept low, on to his boot and it rolled into his stumps.

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# Cancellation

The Libyan crisis and the threat of terrorist activity in the Mediterranean have caused the Class A Yacht Association to cancel the Maxi world championship, which was scheduled to be held in Greece during August.

It has also been suggested in America that the United States should not send a team to Libya's Sardinia Cup in September, but John Wright, chief measurer of the US Yacht Racing Union, said yesterday that the selection trials for the three-boat team, to be held off Newport, Rhode Island, from May 10, would proceed.

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# East German outgenerals Gordon

Elvys Gordon, the British heavyweight, came within a whisker of reaching the final of the European championships here in Belgrade yesterday in his attempt to improve on the bronze medal he won last year (Philip Nickless writes).

Although he managed a spectacular win over the overconfident Grigory Verichev, of the Soviet Union, a former world silver medal winner - Gordon threw him on his back for a full point - he had to overcome the stern challenge of Henry Stohr, from East Germany.

With his slightly crouching stance, Gordon looked dejected and somewhat nervous against the 6ft 3in East German. It was an illusion. After one minute of small attacks he launched his whole body into the valley drop throw with which he caught on to the powerful German was knocked backwards.

Having scored first, Gordon could settle down to a tactical match, putting in the occasional small attacks in order to prevent passivity warning. Unfortunately, he sailed too close to the wind.

Stohr used all his strength and skill to put the Wolverhampton fighter under pressure and in defending Gordon stepped out of the fighting area and incurred a chul. This five-point penalty ultimately triumphed - Gordon's three-point score.

The incident was repeated 30 seconds later and the Briton was left perspiring a lost opportunity and the prospect of fighting for a bronze medal when a place in the European final had been within his grasp.

In the light-heavyweight category Gordon's club colleague, Dennis Stewart, lost to the experienced Roger Vachon, of France.

# Atthey at his best

Gloucestershire were among those counties fortunate enough to sidestep rain, with Lamb and rain which disrupted the Britannia Assurance championship programme yesterday. Setting out in the morning against Northamptonshire at Northampton, they were strongly placed at 348 for four for 97 overs with Athey 144 not out and Curran an undefeated 13.

Along the way, Athey's fifth wicket partnership with Curran had yielded 110 runs from 30 overs and taken him past 170, his score against Derbyshire last season, in his best championship performance, in a stay of six hours and nine minutes.

Gloucestershire's left arm fast medium bowler, Sainsbury, who had taken seven wickets for 38 in the first innings of the corresponding match last season, threatened to give an encore as he prised out Storie and Boyd-Moss with 16 runs on the board. Cook and Lamb helped Northamptonshire turn an awkward corner.

In the afternoon the mood of the batsmen altered dramatically, which seemed to indicate either that they had lunched well, or that they had become aware of Alan Smith's presence.

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# Scots choose

Scotland have named a badminton team of five men and five women for the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh in July.

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# Faldo sure he will get back in swing

By Mitchell Platts

Nick Faldo is well aware that a head-to-head confrontation over 18 holes is not the easiest route back into the European circuit following an indifferent four months in the United States this season.

Even so, Faldo will approach his first round encounter with Ove Selberg, of Sweden, in the Epson Grand Prix of Europe at St. Pierre, Cheshire, today confident that he is over the threshold of finding the light at the end of a long dark tunnel.

Faldo has not won a tournament for two years. It is a statistic which hurts his pride. However, he considers that there will be a reward for spending the last 12 months changing his swing under the instruction of the American-based teacher David Ledbetter.

"I should not be forgotten that I won my 11 tournaments in Europe using the swing I had for 13 years," Faldo said. "I have been working on my new swing for one year. I believe that the time has been well spent and that the results will be forthcoming."

Faldo is now back on the European tour for an extended spell. He is only in this tournament courtesy of an invitation from the sponsors. So it will be a bonus if he has an extended run this week, especially as he could face Sam Torrance in the second round even if he overcomes the much-improved Selberg.

Faldo, too, knows the capricious nature of match play. Remember he was down against Sandy Lyle with 17 holes to play in the World Match Play championship in 1982 and he still lost.

Lyle, who faces Christy O'Connor Junior in the first round today, is the tournament favourite. Lyle, of course, has overtaken Faldo as either a player in Britain today. But Lyle, too, knows that nothing is certain in match play.

# Garner keeps in contact in spite of her lenses

From John Hennessy, Chantilly

Mauraen Garner, playing in only her second tournament as a professional after a distinguished amateur career, and Diane Barnard, a member of the IBM team, were the unexpected leaders on the first day of the Hennessy Cognac Cup, the most richly endowed event of the Women's Professional Golf Association tour with a prize fund of £60,000.

With rounds of 72, one under par for the gruelling 6,267-yard course, they stood one shot ahead of Julie Brown, another IBM player, and Kelly Leadbetter, of the United States.

The signs were not propitious for Mrs Garner, a former British stroke-play champion as Mauraen Madill. The course was universally thought to favour the long hitters and she was, besides, suffering from an unusual case of double vision. She was wearing an unmatched pair of contact lenses, having yet to replace one she lost in, of all places, a Marks and Spencer fish freezer.

Thus she was unable to appreciate the splendour of her birdie at the closing hole. Playing even longer than his 514 yards into the wind, it defied her second tournament as a professional after a distinguished amateur career, and Diane Barnard, a member of the IBM team, were the unexpected leaders on the first day of the Hennessy Cognac Cup, the most richly endowed event of the Women's Professional Golf Association tour with a prize fund of £60,000.

# ENTERTAINMENTS

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# 1,000-mile record

New York (Reuters) - Su Middleman, United States, set a world record for the 1,000-mile run yesterday in 11 days 20 hr 36 min. Middleman, 34, a New York City health and fitness instructor, broke the record set by Siegfried Bauer, New Zealand, in 1984 of 12 days 12 hr 36 min.

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Today's television and radio programmes

BBC 1
8.00 Breakfast AM.
8.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Nick Ross.

TV-AM
8.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen.



X-ray of the Reich Stomach twins on BBC2, 9.00pm

CHOICE
These are human beings, and that's what we are watching as they battle to save a life.

Peter Davalle
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Pick of the Week.
7.30 Worsnip's selection of the best of the week's programmes over the past week.

BBC 2
8.55 Open University.
9.00 Chancellor's School 7.20 Weekend Outlook. Ends at 7.25. 8.00 Ceefax.

CHANNEL 4
2.30 Their Landlady's House. A repeat of last night's highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords.

Radio 4
On long wave, VHF variations at end of Radio 4.
5.55 Shipping 6.00 News Briefing.

Radio 2
4.00am Charles Novak's 5.30 Ray Moore's 7.20 Derek (News) 8.00 Ceefax.

ENTERTAINMENTS
CONCERTS
BARBICAN HALL, 6.30-9.00/5.00-7.30. The London Festival Chorus, Leonard Bernstein cond.

ENTERTAINMENTS
EXHIBITIONS
BRITISH LIBRARY Great Britain 1945-1946. The British Library, 25th Floor, 100 Broad St, London EC2.

ENTERTAINMENTS
THEATRES
ALBERT FINNEY 'YOU MUST BE OBSESSED' LAST NIGHT WEEKEND.
ANTONIA THEATRE Box Office, 47, Old St, London EC1A 1JL.

ENTERTAINMENTS
CINEMAS
BARBICAN 11.00-1.00. The London Festival Chorus, Leonard Bernstein cond.
BRITISH LIBRARY Great Britain 1945-1946.

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ART GALLERIES
ANTHONY POPPAY & 23 DARTMOUTH ST, LONDON W1.
COURTNEY AND GALLERIES, 11, BLOOMSBURY WAY, LONDON WC1A 2LJ.

# Ferguson goes for experience

By Hugh Taylor

Apart from a rumbustious David Speedie, Scotland's pool of 22 players for the World Cup announced yesterday is made up of tried and trusted players who battled so vigorously to take the country through a formidable qualifying section.

There may be surprise at the omission of the Liverpool captain, Hansen, whose elegant style was thought by many to be ideal for the sapping heat of Mexico, but the manager, Alex Ferguson, obviously believes that he has in his own Aberdeen players, Miller and McLeish, perhaps the best central partnership in the tournament and so feels that he cannot tamper with his reliable defensive formation. Hansen remains on standby with Speedie, Archibald, MacLeod, Money and Nevin.

Speedie has made it plain that he is aggrieved at being axed from the pool and he will have many sympathisers who admired his fierce commitment in qualifying matches. All the manager would say was "This was one of the most difficult decisions of my career," but it is believed that the Chelsea forward's bustling approach would be out of place in Mexico, where control will be of more importance than pace and strength.

## Scotland squad

- J Leighton (Aberdeen)
- A Rough (Hibernian)
- A Goram (Dundee)
- R Gough (Dundee Utd)
- S Nicol (Liverpool)
- M Mulpas (Dundee Utd)
- A McLeish (Aberdeen)
- W Miller (Aberdeen)
- D Narey (Dundee Utd)
- F McAvennie (West Ham)
- G Souness (Rangers)
- G Strachan (Manchester Utd)
- P McStay (Celtic)
- J Bell (Aberdeen)
- R Aitken (Celtic)
- E Bannon (Dundee Utd)
- K Dalgleish (Liverpool)
- F McAvennie (West Ham)
- C Nicholas (Arsenal)
- G Sharp (Everton)
- P Shroock (Dundee Utd)
- D Cooper (Rangers)

On stand-by: S Archibald (Aberdeen), A Hansen (Liverpool), M MacLeod (Celtic), K Money (St Mirren), Nevin (Chelsea), D Speedie (Chelsea).

Johnston does not even figure in the standby list and Scotland's front men will come from Dalgleish, who can hardly be expected to play a full 90 minutes in every game, the dependable Sharp, the goal-hungry McAvennie, the much-improved Nicholas and Shroock, who has the ability to twist and turn in the Dalgleish manner in the penalty area.

None of these players, however, can equal the sharpness of Johnston and so the country is left to wonder what has caused the Celtic centre forward to fall out of favour.

As, however, there is versatility as well as what could prove a happy blend of the artist and the artisan in the squad, there is a prospect of a team being found to do much better in a formidable section than those disillusioned by the frantic display in the international with England at Wembley are expecting.

Much will depend on the fitness of Strachan, who must be the dominating figure in midfield, and perhaps on whether McStay can regain the form which not so long ago made him the most promising of a rich crop of young Scottish players.

## SCOTLAND SQUAD FOR WORLD CUP FINALS

**JIM LEIGHTON**: Aged 27, caps: 26. International debut against E Germany 1982. Scotland's first choice goalkeeper, solid and reliable.

**ALAN ROUGH**: (34, 53) Scotland's most capped goalkeeper. His third successive World Cup finals.

**ANDY GORAM**: (22, 3). Debut against E Germany last October. Small but impressive goalkeeper.

**RICHARD GOUGH**: (24, 23). Can play at full back, in central defence, or in midfield. Debut against Switzerland 1982.

**STEVE NICOL**: (24, 8) Debut v Yugoslavia, 1984. At home in defence or in midfield.

**DAVE NAREY**: (29, 29) Versatile defender who performed well at full back in last World Cup finals, provides good cover for McLeish and Miller.

**MAURICE MULPAS**: (23, 10) Can play in a number of positions but essentially a defender. Debut v France, 1984.

**ALEX MCLEISH**: (27, 43) Forms successful partnership with Willie Miller for Aberdeen and Scotland. Strong-tackling centre back.

**WILLIE MILLER**: (31, 48) One of the most outstanding "sweepers" in British football. Dependable vice-captain to Souness.

**ARTHUR ALBISTON**: (28, 13) Debut against Northern Ireland in 1982. Reliable, strong-tackling left back.

**GRAEME SOUNESS**: (33, 53) Scotland's captain and midfield general. Inspirational figure, will be first Scot to captain his country in two World Cup finals.

**GORDON STRACHAN**: (29, 34) Small, alert, skilful and with boundless energy, is driving force going forward.

**PAUL McSTAY**: (21, 15) Capped at 18, he is mature for his age. Gifted general, skilful and with boundless energy, is driving force going forward.

**JIM BETT**: (26, 17) International debut in 1982 against Holland. Intelligent user of the ball.

**ROY ATKIN**: (27, 20) Formidable scorer for club, with an exceptional ability to turn defenders.

**DAVID COOPER**: (30, 14) Possesses excellent close control and skills which make him a devastating wing.



The Queen's Balmoral Mage, first in the pecking order and second in the highland pony class (Photograph: Peter Trifunovic)

## A second title for Seabrook

By Jenny MacArthur

Vin Tomson and Mrs Jane Dewar's heavyweight hunter, Seabrook, took their second major title of the season when they won yesterday's Toshiba Hunter championship on the first day of the Royal Windsor Horse Show in the Home Park. The reserve title went to Peter Hobbs's outstanding lightweight, Micky Springfield.

Seabrook, a seven-year-old chestnut gelding by Shestworth Land, was produced by Peter Richardson last year and by Robert Oliver the year before. He came to Tomson's Leicestershire Yard last May. He has had a long winter rest from which he has clearly benefited.

In the well-filled lightweight class, the judges, Michael Gibson and Thady Ryan (the Master and Huntsman of the Black and Tan in Ireland), wasted little time in putting the seven-year-old Micky Springfield, ridden by Sally Hobbs, at the head of the line. The bay gelding by Mibus out of Shelmore Valley looks twice the horse he was last year when he was shown only lightly.

In an exact reversal of last year's positions, Gemisnet Bloodstock Limited's lively bay gelding, Dancin', stood second in the lightweight class, ridden by Nigel Oliver.

**RESULTS:** Toshiba Hunter championship: Champion: Seabrook (V Tomson); Reserve: Micky Springfield (S Hobbs); Lightweight: 1, Micky Springfield (S Hobbs); 2, Dancin' (N Oliver); 3, Autumn Spree (V Tomson); Heavyweight: 1, Pembroke (V Tomson); 2, Three's Are Wild (M Baker); 3, Country Life (P Moon); Heavyweight: 1, Mibus (C A Lopez); Reserve: 1, Flossies Caradog Ap Dafydd (S Holt).

## Private sector invests £1.5m in success for Britain

By David Miller

A City insurance group, Minet Holdings, is to contribute £1.5 million in assisting British preparation for the 1988 Olympic Games. This is a second step, coming from the private sector, following the Sports Council Review Group's recommendation, under the chairmanship of Sebastian Coe, for a substantial increase in backing for Britain's sports men and women.

The Sports Council had previously announced a fund of £3.7 million, to be directed through the governing bodies of individual sports. What the Minet sponsorship will do is to bring on to the map of assistance many of those who were previously beyond the fringe and feeling somewhat grudging about the substantial assistance that was available to those at the top.

The new sponsorship, which is to be administered by

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with a minimum of £400, which will be reassessed each year according to their progression. As General Ian Graeme of the S.A.F., whose speciality is skiing but who guides the grants committee for all sports, says, the main advantage of the Minet sponsorship is that it will now be possible to give assistance to junior categories: those who may be medal winners in eight or 12 years time, rather than in two years.

This is the first time in Britain that such sums have been earmarked for Olympic preparation by a commercial organisation on such a basis. "The financial hardships faced by Britain's sports men and women have been recognised as a barrier to success," Seb Coe said yesterday. This money will not in itself bring success, but it will allow our competitors to compete without having to worry quite so much about their bank managers.

The remainder have been divided into three categories. An elite group, estimated at 27, who have a reasonable prospect of gaining a medal in Seoul, will receive up to £6,000 a year in personal assistance to improve their training facility and capacity. A further 114 are said to be in an international group likely to perform with distinction. They will receive up to £2,000. The remaining 370 or so will receive the smaller grants,

## TENNIS

## Decline of Bournemouth

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

It has become increasingly difficult these past few years to see any way in which British tennis has benefited from the rigidly monolithic, dollar-oriented structure of the modern professional game. It has become increasingly easy, on the other hand, to observe the decline of Britain's international tournaments. Take, as an example, Bournemouth.

There used to be a charming international festival at Bournemouth, which has a special place in history as the scene of the first open tournament, in 1968. The walls of the club dining-room bear photographs of Rod Laver, Ken Rosewall, Margaret Court, Ann Jones, Christine Truman and Virginia Wade. They all played at Bournemouth and the crowds flocked to watch.

This week the same premises are accommodating the fourth tournament in a five-week series for which the Lawn Tennis Association have set aside £90,000 in the hope that British players would be eager enough and good enough to make the most of modest cosmopolitan competition.

Well, Jane Wood and Andrew Castle reached the singles finals of the first tournament on the circuit, at Hamstead, and a British pair of each sex have contested doubles finals. Other than that, the British challenge has been engulfed by a tide of mediocrity that flowed too strongly for them.

The four British women in the draw at Bournemouth all lost in the first round. Of 16 British men, only Stuart Bale and Mike Walker advanced to the quarter-finals and both were beaten yesterday, by younger men. The sky was overcast, the breeze chilly and the thinly scattered spectators were mostly there because they saw that personal affiliation demanded it.

Bale, ranked fourth in Britain, was beaten by Patrick Flynn, aged 17, of Brisbane, who lives and works at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra and is a member of the national junior squad. For the fourth time in as many weeks, Walker played the "spare man" of Israel's Davis Cup team, Gilad Bloom, who won last week's tournament at

Sutton. Bale won six games, Walker three.

How Bournemouth has changed. Even the old mixture of shale and grass courts has been diluted: The club's 26 courts consist of 10 shale, six grass, four synthetic grass, four hard and two carpeted indoor courts that will shortly be replaced by another kind of carpet. The grass courts are so seldom fit for play that eventually they will almost certainly be replaced by something more practicable.

To return to one's original point, a prerequisite for arresting the decline of such tournaments is greater freedom for national associations to run their own shows as they think fit. The expensive, stifling, bureaucratic uniformity of the international game has to be checked.

**RESULTS-Singles:** Quarter-finals: Mike P Flynn (Aus) bt S Bale, 6-3, 6-3; G Bloom (Isr) bt M Walker (Wals), 6-2, 6-1; T Flynn (Fr) bt A Gonzalez (Bel), 6-3, 6-4; D Measrod (SA) bt D Engel (Swe), 6-4, 4-6, 7-5. Women: N Jagerman (Neth) bt D Kenasar (Neth), 6-2, 8-2; K Okamoto (Japan) bt P Tesorovic (Cz), 6-3, 6-3.

## Marsh beware the shadow

By Srikanth Sen, Boxing Correspondent

Even those who wanted Clinton McKenzie, the 30-year-old veteran from Croydon, to win and had thought that he had beaten Tony Laing, of Nottingham, when they met for the vacant British light-welterweight title at the Albert Hall on Wednesday night, could not have been disappointed when the former British, Commonwealth and European champion announced after his defeat that he was retiring.

McKenzie was just a shadow of his old self, unable to shape into those combinations to the body. Had he scraped through and won the title he

first won eight years ago, it is almost certain he would have been struggling to get away from those chasing him, or to keep up with the energetic Terry Marsh, the European champion, who would have been his next target.

Marsh is to have a "warm-up" on May 28 at Alexandra Pavilion, London, for his world title bout against Patrizio Oliva, of Italy, which is expected to take place on July 10 in Monte Carlo or Naples. He will be meeting Grant Walters, of the United States, a boxer, like Oliva. "The date for the world title is

fixed; we are talking about the venue," Warren said. "We would rather fight in Monte Carlo. They want Naples. Terry will fight him anywhere."

Marsh is even willing to meet Rene Arredondo, the new World Boxing Council champion - even in the Mexican backyard, the fearsome Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles. When a colleague warned that that was where the customers were relieved of their guns and knives at the door, the former Marine said: "I'll fight for the title anywhere, even there, anywhere but Kiev."

## MOTOR RACING

## Mansell in danger of failing to qualify

From John Blunsden, Monte Carlo

Pre-race practice and qualification on the streets of Monte Carlo invariably constitutes one of the most tense episodes of the grand prix year, and yesterday that reputation was reinforced as team after team ran into problems.

As a result, only one of Britain's four drivers has so far claimed a place amongst the top 20 permitted to start the race. And the world champion, Alain Prost, managed to do so only in the closing qualifying but then he put in a damaging race lap. Even Ayrton Senna, who was once again the fastest of all in his Renault-powered JPS Lotus, was disappointed with his time.

Senna's best lap of 1min 25.222sec was 0.4 seconds slower than his best in the preliminary practice and nearly four seconds slower than his pole position time last year. Only about half of the deficit is explained by the changes made to the circuit because the new tight chicane after the exit from the tunnel (reducing speeds from last year's 140mph to nearer 40mph) is partly offset by a smoother and quicker entry to the start-finish straight and by some extensive resurfacing of the upper part of the circuit which has substantially improved grip.

The most worried team of all last night were Canon Williams, who suffered no fewer than four engine breakages, two in Nigel Mansell's car and one each in Nelson Piquet's race car and in the team's spare, to which Piquet had been switched. Piquet's time prior to his second blow-up should secure him a place in the race, but Mansell still has it all to do. Johnny Dumfries was the

## McDonnell to defend

From John Blunsden, Monte Carlo

Jim McDonnell, the British holder of the European featherweight boxing championship, will defend his title against Salvatore Botteglieri, of Italy, at Wembley on June 19, the European Boxing Union (EBU) announced yesterday. McDonnell won the title last November when he stopped Jose Luis Vicho, of Spain, in the fourth round of their bout in London.

Another European champion, Ciro de Leva, of Italy, will defend his bantamweight title for the seventh time when he meets Spain's Vicente Fernandez on June 26. The venue has still to be fixed.

## Bedser portrait

From John Blunsden, Monte Carlo

A portrait of Alec Bedser, the former England bowler, Test selector and now president elect of Surrey County Cricket Club, is to be hung in the Long Room at the Oval today. The portrait, by Peter Morgan was commissioned by David Evans, the chairman of Luton Town Football Club and also of Eren Green Holdings, the firm by whom the Bedser twins, Alec and Eric, are employed.

## Scotch missed

From John Blunsden, Monte Carlo

A two-gallon bottle of whisky given to the Oxford United Football Club manager, Maurice Evans, as Bell's manager of the month, has been stolen from his office at the Manor ground. Evans had offered the whisky, worth £60, to be raffled for the benefit fund of the reserve team manager, David Fogg.

## Canada hosts

From John Blunsden, Monte Carlo

Canada will host the 1987 Federation Cup, the women's world team championship for tennis, in Vancouver from July 20 to 26, the International Tennis Federation said yesterday (Reuter reports). A record 43 nations will take part in this year's competition in Prague.

## Why fun is a serious matter

Simon Barnes

"When I was in Sheffield for the snooker, I met a lady who was a very serious snooker fan. I never knew what to say when such people ask me what I do for a living. The truth suddenly came up. I explained an incident in a match. She looked at me with unbridled curiosity, and then asked: 'Do you like sport?'"

"Once again, I answered both truthfully, and slightly shamefacedly. 'Yes, or quite a lot.' Well, lots of people don't like sport, and among them are many sports reporters and professional sportsmen. But me, I like the stuff."

"'Even snooker?' she asked. 'Yes.' This week, especially snooker, as a matter of fact. I feared her next question. I knew, you see, that she never put any salt in her food and that when she ate an egg she felt guilty."

"'Why?' she asked. 'What's good about it?'"

"Well, it's just such fun," I said, weakly and inadequately, and with a vision of Brnoles fitting snooker into my mind. "It was a hopeless answer. But on the other hand, if sport is not fun, then what on earth is it for. And this has, for once, been a week that has been dominated by fun."

## Ridiculous achievement

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Football commemorated this anniversary with the European Cup final, a match that was full of the football of fear, the result was all that mattered to anyone there, and it mattered far too much. And so it was a complete waste of everybody's time.

But even football - sometimes even especially football - can still bring us those gorgeously irrelevant joys. Perhaps the all-Liverpool FA Cup final will bring us a further helping. If the match can be played in as jolly an atmosphere as the Rugby League Challenge Cup final a fortnight back, it will be a grand occasion.

Even the old slog-along of the League has been pretty good fun this season, and the best bit of all has been the ascent of Wimbledon to the first division. Ten seasons ago they played in the Southern League, and a defender called Dave Bassett kept getting booked. Now Bassett has managed the club to this ridiculous achievement: if the award-givers care anything at all about the true joys of football, then they will give their Manager of the Year title to Bassett.

All this and more. I wish I could have explained to the brown rice lady. Sport may not always be fun, but fun can still be found in sport - and fun, after all, is why sport is.

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